

Happy 100th Birthday Hazel McCallion

Greensaver to plant one tree per year as birthday gift for legendary former Mississauga Mayor and Greensaver Board member

(Mississauga ON Feb 12, 2021) Greensaver – Ontario's leading energy conservation not-for-profit organization – is celebrating Board member and former Mississauga Mayor Hazel McCallion's 100th birthday on February 14th 2020. In her honour, they will plant 100 trees using the One Million Trees Mississauga program she helped launch. The site will be marked with a commemorative plaque for "The Hazel McCallion Centennial Greensaver Conservation site".

Greensaver's Board and staff realized the most impactful way to celebrate Hazel's contributions to our mission is to plant one tree to mark each year of her extraordinary life," observed Greensaver President & CEO Vladan Veljovic. He went on to say, "In addition to Hazel's work in her community, Hazel has made a huge contribution to Greensaver through her wealth of experience and strategic leadership on our Board of Directors."

Greensaver's birthday present to former Mayor McCalllion will be planted in partnership with the City of Mississauga and its One Million Trees Initiative when conditions allow. When mature, the 100 trees will consume up to 2.2 Metric Tons of carbon dioxide per year (among other greenhouse gases), and release 12 Metric Tons of oxygen into the atmosphere.

Greensaver protects our environment by helping homeowners, renters, small businesses, and housing providers reduce their overall energy consumption, saving money and lowering greenhouse gas emissions. Greensaver also works directly with low-income families in Ontario, assisting them with their energy efficiency.

As Mayor and in her private life, Hazel McCallion championed the environment and was instrumental in launching One Million Trees Mississauga, with a goal to plant a million trees in the city by 2032. The Mayor of Mississauga Bonnie Crombie said: "I'm so pleased that Greensaver and the City of Mississauga are honouring Hazel's contribution to the environment. Thank you, Hazel, for over 50 years of service to Mississauga, transforming it into the world-class City it is today."

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Greensaver is a leader in delivering greenhouse gas reduction initiatives in Ontario. In recent years, they have been the exclusive delivery agent of the Home Assistance Program and recently launched Energy Assistance Program funded by the IESO. They are a delivery agent for the Home

Winterization Program funded by Enbridge Gas. Greensaver helps individual homeowners make their homes more energy efficient by completing comprehensive NRCan audits and home insulation services. Together, their efforts reduce over 22,000 Metric Tons of GHGs per year. https://greensaver.org

One Million Trees Mississauga was launched to help conserve and enhance the City's open spaces and forested areas for future generations to enjoy. Trees will be planted by City staff, partners and volunteers on public and private property. https://www.onemilliontrees.ca.