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Marcus Center Kiley 'TREE ROOM'

To Whom It May Concern:

I often find myself present-in-the-moment within Milwaukee's 'TREE ROOM' at the Marcus Center, designed by Dan Kiley. Every person, animal, and insect is very fortunate to have this PUBLIC transformative grove, this urban oasis!

As a designer and introvert, I constantly experience how introspective ideals and therefore, introspective spaces are seriously underappreciated or under attack.

The recent Kiley Horse Chestnut Grove demolition proposal exemplifies the soul-destroying, egoic, mind-focused, unconscious thought patterns that plague our modern technological society.

We are controlled by new technologies we do not understand. We live out our lives thinking of past and future, never being still, never connecting to the present moment. The proposed demolition and redesign will perpetuate this unconscious status quo.

A space such as Kiley's Marcus Center Grove creates an atmosphere to quiet one's mind, begin to know oneself, and provides abundant urban life opportunities. The design of the world must be done this heart.

Sincerely, Anthony Janis



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