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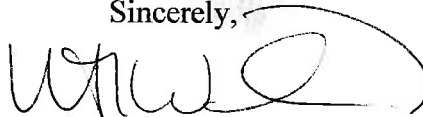
Dear Councilmember Conlin:

Thornton Creek Alliance is truly grateful for the values you brought to the Seattle City Council. You led the way in developing sustainable policies and putting them into useful practice. To your credit Seattle has obtainable waste reduction goals, more availability of local food, better protection and supervision of our urban trees, and protection and restoration of our waterways. You have shown leadership in the expansion of mass transit and keeping urban hubs livable and walkable: inviting people to leave their cars at home. You helped obtain the necessary funding so that Green Seattle Partnership could continue the successful program they have built for the benefit of our forests and streams. These programs will benefit our city into the distant future, and they work to forward the goals Thornton Creek Alliance supports.

Specifically in our watershed you were instrumental in accomplishing the daylighting of the Thornton Creek Water Quality Channel, an amenity that has become the pride of the Northgate neighborhood and educates people on the value of our creeks. You supported the development of the Northgate Plan which established a framework for protecting Thornton Creek. You helped obtain the funding for the planned pedestrian bridge over Interstate 5 that will make the Sound Transit station more accessible to people without cars.

In working with you we understood we were working with someone who shares our goals of healthy watersheds and communities for all. Thank you for all you have done, and no doubt will do in the future.

Sincerely,



Ruth Williams, President
Thornton Creek Alliance

