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Reserving the Battle Hill native bush remnant

Dear Councillors,

I write very briefly to support this proposal to classify the area as scenic reserve. It is surprising that the description of this consultation at http://www.gw.govt.nz/reserving-the-battle-hill-native-bush-remnant-consultation/ seems to anticipate or encourage only objections in response to the proposal.

I fully support increasing the protection of the "bush reserve" area. It is fundamental that the importance of protecting and preserving the natural values of this area is made clear and hard to change. I agree that recreation allowed in the area should be for the enjoyment and appreciation of those natural values. Any activity that might conflict with those values or that enjoyment should not be allowed. The formal scenic reserve status will help achieve that.

Yours faithfully,

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