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8 September 1994

Prof. M.A. Chandler Dean Faculty of Arts and Science University of Toronto Sidney Smith Hall

#### Dear Marsha:

We would like to invite you to a tree planting ceremony on U of T Day - 22 October 1994. This event is to officially initiate the creation of a naturalistic garden being designed for the grounds of the Ramsay Wright building.

The purpose of the radical change from manicured lawns to native plants and trees is to work towards an almost self-sustaining landscape. It is intended to be pesticide free, low on water usage and less labour intensive. As part of the master plan to accomplish these goals, the Ramsay Wright building has been chosen as the designated test site on campus. As such, members of the Zoology Department are working very closely with the staff of Facilities and Services. Although this is an experimental project, we feel positive that we can fulfill our goals to provide a garden on campus that is environmentally friendly, inviting to all members of the university community and which develops into a suitable site to act as an educational tool for many students on campus such as those in biology, geography and landscape architecture. In fact, this last item has already been put into effect. Students taking a landscape architecture course this fall will be given an assignment to design gardens for all of the land around the Ramsay Wright building. From these, a final plan will be created for our implementation.

We hope you can find time during your busy U of T Day schedule to officially plant one of the trees and, as in the past, join us for lunch cooked by members of the Zoology Department.

We look forward to a positive response in the near future.

Yours sincerely,

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Prof. J.R.S. Prichard President University of Toronto Simcoe Hall 27 King's College Circle

Dear Rob:

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Yours sincerely,

S.S. Desser

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