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To: Clerk's Department
Subject: To Mayor Samwick and the Board of Trustees..From Resident Susan Levine...

To the Mayor and Board of Trustees..

For many years..as you know.. Scarsdale has had an ordinance Banning Gas Powered Leaf Blowers from June 1-September 30. This creates a welcome summer respite from the constant noise and the air pollution that the Blowers create.

If more residents recycled their grass clippings...blowers might become totally unnecessary in the summer... even for residents who insist on their use.

Last year only 74 summons were issued to Gardeners who defied the ban..for the entire 4 month period.

It is obvious that enforcement is not vigorous. It is not working. The low Fines are considered part of "doing business" and the offenders continue to violate the ordinance.

On my Small Block alone..there are 6 gardeners who ignore the Ban every week and use the Blowers. My gardener uses an Electric Blower when he must..but mostly uses nothing...I recycle my grass clippings.

Please consider other measures to enforce the Gas Powered Summer Blower Ban. Have an ordinance that does not engender or require compliance seems foolish on the village's part.

Thanks very much.

Susan Levine
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