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Why consider *A Natural Legacy*?

-  Ensure a clean and healthy environment for future generations
-  Protect nature
-  Provide access to unspoiled nature
-  Make a commitment to the environment
-  Celebrate shared goals

Join *A Natural Legacy*

Like the mighty bur oak that has been standing in Blair Flats for more than 250 years, with new generations of species growing around it, your legacy will stand tall and ensure *rare's* lands remain intact, in perpetuity — promoting healthy water, soil, air and the diversity of plants and animals that are paramount for human well-being and ongoing economic stability.

Let us know that you've included *rare* in your estate plans and we will acknowledge you in our recognition and keep you informed of special information sessions.

CONTACT:

We invite you to consider joining *A Natural Legacy*. Christine Thompson, Major Gifts Manager, would be pleased to have a confidential discussion on your legacy giving options.

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About *rare*

Founded in 2001 and located on the Grand River watershed, *rare* Charitable Research Reserve is a 900+ acre urban land trust and environmental institute in the heart of Waterloo Region, stewarding the land on behalf of the community and future generations through conservation, research and education.

Anyone can leave a legacy to the environment

There are many options for including the *rare* Charitable Research Reserve in your estate planning, creating a long-term investment in our mutual goal of ensuring the *rare* lands are preserved intact and in perpetuity for our future generations to enjoy.

Bequests by Will

In addition to remembering your family members and friends, you can also name the *rare* Charitable Research Reserve as a direct beneficiary of specific assets, a portion of your estate or the residue of your estate. It can also result in significant tax benefits to your estate.

Gifts of Life Insurance

A new or existing life insurance policy donated to the *rare* Charitable Research Reserve allows you to make a substantial future contribution with a relatively low monthly or yearly payment.

Charitable Gift Annuities and Charitable Remainder Trusts

These options allow you to receive a regular income during your lifetime from your donation.

Gifts of Stock, Securities (mutual funds) or Other Capital Property

Donating stocks, securities or mutual funds directly to the *rare* Charitable Research Reserve is a more cost effective way of giving than selling the stock and making a cash donation.

RRSP/RIFFs

Donors enrolled in an RRSP, or who have already converted their RRSP to a RIFF, can designate the *rare* Charitable Research Reserve as a named beneficiary for all or a portion of any retirement funds remaining at death.

Ecologically Sensitive Lands

As a charity having the conservation and protection of Canada's environmental heritage as one of its main purposes, *rare* Charitable Research Reserve is eligible to accept donations of Ecologically Sensitive Land.

Canada's Ecological Gifts Program offers tax benefits to Canadians who donate ecologically sensitive land (including a covenant, an easement or a real servitude to which land is subject) or a partial interest in such land to a qualified recipient. The Minister of the Environment must certify the land, approve the recipient that receives the gift, and certify the fair market value of the donation. For donations made after February 10, 2014, the carry-forward period is 10 years for the unclaimed portion of the eligible amount of gifts of ecologically sensitive land. Capital gains associated with the donation of ecologically sensitive land continue to be exempt from tax.

Legal name of the organisation: *rare* Charitable Research Reserve.

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DID YOU KNOW...

...you can make bequests by Will to *rare*?

Making bequests by Will is not only easier than you think, it can also allow you to make a larger gift to support the research, conservation and education programs at *rare* than you may have thought possible.

SAMPLE CHARITABLE BEQUEST LANGUAGE

Please note that the following suggested language is meant as a resource for you and your lawyer and/or estate planner as you plan your charitable bequest to *rare*. This information shall not be construed or relied on as legal advice from the charity.

Specific, unrestricted:

I give, devise and bequeath to *rare* Charitable Research Reserve (charitable number 8776 15914 RR0001) the sum of \$ _____ to be used for any purpose(s) approved by the Board of Directors of *rare* Charitable Research Reserve.

Specific, restricted with escape clause:

I give, devise and bequeath to *rare* Charitable Research Reserve the sum of \$ _____ to be used for the following purpose(s) _____.
If *rare* Charitable Research Reserve (charitable number 8776 15914 RR0001) is unable to apply all or part of these funds for the specific purpose(s) stated herein, the balance of this bequest not so extended may be used for any purpose(s) approved by the Board of Directors of *rare* Charitable Research Reserve.

General % unrestricted:

I give, devise and bequeath to *rare* Charitable Research Reserve (charitable number 8776 15914 RR0001) ____% of the residue of my estate to be used for any purpose(s) approved by the Board of Directors of *rare* Charitable Research Reserve.

General %, restricted with escape clause:

I give, devise and bequeath to *rare* Charitable Research Reserve (charitable number 8776 15914 RR0001), ____% of my estate to be used for the following purpose(s) _____.
If *rare* Charitable Research Reserve is unable to apply all or part of these funds for the specific purpose(s) stated herein, the balance of this bequest not so extended may be used for any purpose(s) approved by the Board of Directors of *rare* Charitable Research Reserve.

Residual contingent trust

Upon the death of the survivor of my (wife, husband, etc.) _____ and my (son, daughter, etc.) _____, I direct my trustee to transfer and deliver the balance of the residue of my Estate, including any undistributed income to *rare* Charitable Research Reserve (charitable number 8776 15914 RR0001) to be used for any purpose(s) approved by the Board of Directors of *rare* Charitable Research Reserve.