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PLEDGE to be NOISE RESPONSIBLE

**This information will be posted on the Town of Chevy Chase website to enable residents to choose Landscape contractors who are committed to being Noise Responsible.*

Business Name: Kehoe Landscaping

**pledges to make a special effort to decrease noise as we work in the Town of Chevy Chase (TOCC) Owners and/or employees will:
 (Check all of the actions listed below that you commit to doing.)**

- Know and meet all requirements of the Montgomery County and TOCC Noise Ordinances.
- Train all employees on a continuing and consistent basis to know and meet all County and TOCC Noise Ordinance requirements.
- Insure that all leaf blowers my company uses do not exceed 70dBA (A-weighted decibels) at a distance of 50 feet. (The standard required by the County Noise Ordinance.)
- Make ALL employees aware that residents of the Town are concerned about excessive noise, and greatly appreciate efforts they can make to WORK QUIETLY.

IN ADDITION, we also pledge to take the following steps to reduce noise:

- Operate no more than 2 lawnmowers and leaf blowers at the same location.
- Use the lowest possible leaf blower throttle speed to do the job;
- Use nozzle attachments that help reduce sound (see your operator's manual)
- Regularly check condition of the leaf blower muffler, air intakes and air filter
- Purchase and use sound-reduced blowers when upgrading equipment. (Blowers are now available that are as much as 75% quieter than older blowers, and work at decibel levels below the County standards.)
- Use electric rather than gas lawnmowers, leaf blowers, trimmers. (Ask owners if you may use their outdoor outlets.)
- Work with manual instead of powered tools whenever possible. (Rakes, clippers, etc.)

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