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Group signs on to help save old pecan tree

A grass-roots effort to preserve an Atlanta pecan tree got a shot in the arm — or trunk — Monday.

A group of concerned citizens signed off on a deal with Park Pride, a nonprofit organization that helps raise money to save green space. The agency will collect and manage online contributions (www.parkpride.org), said Teri Stewart, a Gordon Avenue resident who is leading the fight to stop a landowner from cutting down the tree, nicknamed "Grandma Gordon."

The 150-year-old tree is on a half-acre of land at the corner of Gordon and DeKalb avenues. Landowner Adam Gaslowitz has submitted plans to the city of Atlanta indicating plans to either sell the land or develop it and tear down many of its trees. Last week, the Atlanta Tree Conservation Commission gave residents 30 days to come up with \$1 million to buy the land.