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To the City Council,

I read the article in the Ann Arbor Observer about the deer population here.

I am a professional gardner who works for an institution on Geddes Ave. and have two clients who border the Arboretum on West Ridgeway. It is a very frustrating task to try and garden at all in that area. This year was the first year that the deer came around to the front of the building facing Geddes Ave. at 1923 Geddes, and devoured all the Hostas, hydrangeas, & plox. The backyard is now impossible to expect anything to survive the deer, and the first thing I do each day is remove the deer droppings, (and dog excrement.)

I am in favor of lethal culling by bow & arrow to bring the deer to lower levels. I am aware this will have to be done on a yearly basis. The deer have never been quite as destructive to plants as they have this year. I've been working in the area for eight years. there are just too many of them.

Please — cull the herd! And Keep doing it.

My own residence is in North Ann Arbor where we have the same problems with over-abundant deer populations.

Sincerely,

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