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Testimony to **Portland City Council** on the **Design Overlay Zone Amendments, Recommended Draft**

I support the Portland: Neighbors Welcome amendments. We need to streamline the approval process for housing in Portland in order to meet the increasing demand and combat the rising cost of housing and the gentrification. Today NIMBYism is far too powerful. I am a home owner in SE Portland and am not in a business related to development or real estate, but I have talked to at least one developer who will not work in Portland because the process is too onerous.

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