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

As a 30 year resident of Portland, I am asking City Council to approve the design standards recommended by SMILE added to DOZA to improve future building design in Sellwood-Moreland. We have enjoyed the community as the area has increased in density and new buildings have replaced old. But we have also noticed a tremendous difference when design elements such as stepped-back design that help to maintain visual and emotional connection to open space, human connection, human scale. As a home owner who lives adjacent to a 50x100 lot that is soon to house a 40 foot high, 11 unit apartment building, we welcome a change and more residents to our corner of Portland but strongly ask that design elements for enhanced compatibility be encoded in our city's design guidelines.

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