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Testimony to **Portland City Council** on the **Shelter to Housing Continuum Project, Recommended Draft**

Hello - I think the Shelter to Housing Continuum project is a dignified and compassionate idea that will help our neighbors who have been forced out of their homes. I see so many people living outdoors and in cars - so many more since the pandemic began. It's not healthy for them or for our communities. This proposal will help. I agree with the amendments proposed by Portland: Neighbors Welcome (Extend the Housing Emergency; allow sanctioned shelters in open space zones and right-of-way; waive conditional use permits for churches and faith-based organizations for 20 or fewer dwellings; do not require vehicle dwelling to have sewer connections). Please pass this important effort to help our most vulnerable neighbors.

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