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

As a person of faith, I personally feel that the passage of the Shelter to Housing Continuum is a moral imperative. We cannot continue to treat our fellow humans living on the street as an inconvenience or nuisance, and the S2H proposal gives the Cit of Portland a series of new or bradened tools to deal with this tragedy. It is not perfect nor complete, which is why I encourage the City Commissioners and the Mayor's office to continue to work to modify and expand all zoning for maximum flexibility. But it does represent a critical step. Please pass the measure and then, again, stay carefully focused on how it is working. Find as many other ways as possible to enable the sheltering of our unsheltered population as soon as possible. I understnad the objections but they pale in comparison to the inidignities and risks being suffered by those who are living on he streets. Please pass S2HC!

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