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

I am at a total loss for how this proposal would solve the issue of homelessness. City parks are meant to be cherished and are intended for the betterment of the citizens of the community. To allow homeless members of the community to take refuge there makes me wonder if you have ever witnessed a tent camp. The overwhelming amount of garbage and space would guarantee no sane citizen would use the parks for their intended use. The impact on real estate values, community safety and the overall psychological impact would be devastating to say the least. We can not make this problem worse. A line has to be drawn and we have to ask who does this truly cater to and how will it play out long term. Redirecting them to other areas doesn't solve the issue. It will simple attract more.

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