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

Portland used to be a beautiful city that people would come downtown and enjoy with their families. I live in downtown and barely recognize the city I fell in love with 30 years ago. The CITY parks are not made for camping (which in this case will mean allowed homeless camps). The city is not doing anything to police homeless garbage and debris left behind. My wife and I both work with solve and volunteer to clean up. We regularly pick up garbage, buckets used as toilets, and used syringes. Is the city prepared to take responsibility for kids playing in parks who get an accidental needle stick. Let's quit trying to only serve your pet projects and try to legislate for the good of all Portland residents. There are laws on the books that you are not enforcing that has led to our many problems with crime, litter, homelessness and overall safety. Do not pass this initiative. Greg Engrav

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