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

While well intentioned, this proposed zoning change would be detrimental to our cityscape for years to come. Our parks should be safe, clean and places of recreation for our collective community to enjoy. Allowing camping in our city parks will only continue to darken and illuminate the homelessness issue that is ravaging our once beautiful city. Action needs to be taken but extending city parks to allow for camping is not a solution to a much bigger problem and our city council needs to address these issues not perpetuate them. I am disappointed with Commissioner Hardesty's embrace of this change, the implications of which she has clearly not thought through and does not address the root causes of our homeless problem in Portland.

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