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

Hello, I strongly ask you to remove the clause saying that camping in parks is allowed. These are public spaces, NOT homeless camping zones. I've been in Portland for 17 years, and a clause like this will ruin our parks beyond repair. The garbage, needles, tents, and trash are not sustainable. Please do not ruin our beautiful city with this ordinance. Please consider using the old Post office space in NW to house FEMA tents. Or contract with parking lot owners to put up FEMA tents there. We as a city do not want our parks overrun and unusable. Parks are not for living. Stop allowing developers to build condos and apt buildings and build affordable housing communities. Thank you,
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