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

S2HC reads in part : " The proposal would, however, allow the temporary siting of shelters in parks and open space for no more than 180 days." I do not think this is a good reaction or a solution to the problems of the homeless in our city. We need services and direction to get people into homes, not encouraging people to live on the sidewalks, in parks and in cars. S2HC will invite more people from elsewhere to come and camp here, exacerbating the health hazards and safety issues that already exist. Let's rethink the right action.

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