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

Please do not put shelters in our city parks. Our area (NW Portland) is one of the most densely-populated sections of the city, and has only two small parks west of 405. Development has replaced most permeable surfaces by concrete, and the parks are the last remaining green refuges in our urban area. Both Wallace Park and Couch park directly adjoin schools. The schoolchildren use the parks for recess time and after school, and they will have to contend with homeless folks defending the park as their residential area.

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