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

I am a long-time Portland resident and I wish to voice my support for the Shelter to Housing Continuum Project. I think it is of utmost importance that we tackle issues of homelessness and displacement with humanity, dignity and smart strategies that focus on the root causes of housing insecurity and getting people into stable shelter and housing without complex or difficult prerequisites. I also urge you to adopt the amendments proposed by Portland: Neighbors Welcome in order to allow greater flexibility in providing shelter for those most in need. Finally, I urge you to extend the Housing State of Emergency as many are struggling even more than ever!

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