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

In the last 2 years, City park officials have worked hard to maintain the parks and make them a safe place for community members. We live right behind Montavilla Park. It is a park we use and see everyday. Previous to the attention recently given by park rangers, the park was filthy with hazardous waste and drug addicts lying everywhere with needles sticking out of their arms. It could not have been a more unwelcome place for the neighborhood and for those wanting to use the park. Your proposed zoning changes would further threaten the livability of this city and ultimately threaten the lives of those heartlessly left on our streets.

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