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

Please DO NOT allow public lands to be used for temporary homeless shelters. I have lived in my home since 2003 and I can't tell you how scared I am now of walking my dog in broad daylight all of the bad things I see on my daily walks. Today I saw a drug deal go down on school property. Yesterday I saw a man checking cars to steal things out of. I find needles, trash, other drug paraphernalia. I never used to be afraid to live on the East side of Portland. I love my neighborhood and love my neighbors. But the crime has increased more than 100%. The data shows it. I've seen 2 shootings in the past 6 month and I'm scared. I don't want to move, but if I am forced to because of your poor management of our city, then I guess I will have to. But I'm begging you please do not allow more of this chaos to happen. It is out of control. If you don't provide as many resources for people they will work harder to try and get off the streets or go to cities that do provide excess amount of resources. My rights are being taken away because of your poor management. The homeless camps are illegal and should stay that way. Use Wasco jail as a homeless shelter, get these people off my streets. We voted for you, now please work for the people that voted you in and pay our taxes. Thank you.

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