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

In general, I support the intent of the Shelter to Housing Continuum Project. I have supported taxation to help combat this vexing problem and would be open to funding additional solutions. Homelessness is a serious issue and is rapidly affecting the livability of virtually all neighborhoods in Portland. I do not, however, support use of public parks as part of the solution, even temporarily. Establishment of temporary living arrangements within parks will only serve to further erode their availability to citizens who have funded the parks and to others who seek and use park spaces as one of the few accessible and affordable places to find a bit of respite from the trials of daily life.

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