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

Allowing homeless shelters in public parks is not a responsible way to address homelessness in the City. These parks are what defines Portland and are used by all citizens, sports leagues and the general public. They also are nested within community and often adjacent to schools. These parks do not have the infrastructure to support the needs and services required by the homeless population. Do not include portland parks in any zoning changes.

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