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

Amend language in 33.296.030.G to remove the Open Space Zone from consideration as either temporary or permanent houseless shelters EXCEPT for a declaration of emergency by the City Council due to a catastrophic natural disaster such as an earthquake. Justification: there is adequate publicly owned space available to shelter the houseless population, so let's use those spaces instead of spaces that serve as habitat for wildlife and opportunities for all citizens to connect with nature in its purest, least impacted state as possible. Thank you!

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