From: <u>Jude Baas</u>

To: <u>Council Clerk – Testimony</u>

Subject: Portland Cannot Wait for Change - people and our city are suffering and dying

Date: Monday, October 24, 2022 11:44:14 AM

Dear City Leaders,

I am writing to show my support for Mayor Wheeler's and Council Member Ryan's proposal to ban all public camping and provide shelter space and support services to all who go unsheltered in Portland, through organized, pragmatic, dignity providing sanctioned campuses and shelters, and to support proposed resolutions (899-903), to save this city and its neediest citizens, who because of current policies, misguided priorities and waste are suffering and dying unnecessarily.

We, all of Portland are begging you, lead this City toward recovery, through effective, humane, reality-based intelligent action, and call out, do not cower to narrow-sighted special interests and bureaucratic infighting.

Please do not let this city and its people crumble in the wake of inaction and idealism peacocking.

Please, do whatever it takes to see that hope and humanity and the truly essential foundation of basic security and humane order are restored, for everyone in this city.

Thank you for your service,

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