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To: <u>Council Clerk – Testimony</u>

Subject: Mayor"s New Plan to Address Portland Houselessness

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Dear Mr. Mayor and Portland City Council:

I am affiliated with the Poor Peoples Campaign and a member of the Support Committee for Hazelnut Grove. It is my hope that this tiny village be allowed to remain intact during relocation of some homeless encampments. The Village seems to have been granted an informal status as a sanctioned village by the City. It now has 501 C3 status and appears to be ready to work with the City on getting sanctioned approval to remain in its current location. This self governed village holds regular General Assembly meetings and creates a healthy environment for its residents. Engagement in the village operations is encouraged. All who live there find ways in which to contribute.

I think the City can rest assured that Hazelnut Grove offers much to its residents and that it deserves sanctioned status.

Best

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