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I am Diana Richardson, living in Southwest Portland at 1905 SW Sunset Blvd.

I am somewhat familiar with the issues confronting our unhoused people and with some of the more effective, dignified, respectful solutions to this widespread problem.

Sn example of this is a self-governing community such as the one at Hazelnut Grove.

There is no one size fits all solution, but not interfering with peoples rights as human beings to create solutions that meet their immediate and perhaps longer-term needs is key to success.

In contrast to that, treating people as a mass, not as individuals deserving of dignity and respect which is our human right, is to add insult to injury while posing as a "solution".

I support an option to camp until permanent housing is available, but it must be an option! Mandating acceptance of any such solution with the alternative being jailed is out of the question!

No sweeps. No incarceration by any name whether in "camps" or jail.

Sincerely, Diana Richardson 503 841 0849