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**To:** <u>Council Clerk – Testimony</u>

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As a resident of Portland, I strongly advocate for the following:

- 1. Clear the campers off the streets.
- 2. When you clear the campers off the streets, don't just shoo them down the road, make them go to a shelter
- 3. When in the shelter, do outreach for services
- 4. If the shelters fill up, make more shelters or designate some camping areas (not sidewalks and parks!)
- 5. Increase mental health and drug addiction services to facilitate (3)

I'm tired of reading about proclamations of action and dollars allocated for housing and services without any perceptible improvement to the situation FOR YEARS. In fact, it just keeps getting worse and my property tax bill keeps going up. Enough talk- do something now!

Oh- and start enforcing the law. Portland doesn't feel safe anymore and the entire city looks like a ghetto. It's embarrassing to have out-of-town guests.

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