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Dear Council Members:

Speaking on behalf of c. 180 Pendleton Woolen Mills employees in Old Town, I cannot overstate our unhappiness with conditions here. It is becoming increasingly impossible to feel safe working in our neighborhood. Squalor and violence are not compatible with an acceptable work environment.

The City and County's practice of warehousing the mentally ill and drug addicted on our sidewalks has to stop. Public camping bans need to be implemented and enforced.

Please act now. We must change course even though it means breaking paradigms. Multnomah County's failed policies have been a disaster.

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