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Subject: I support the Mayor's plans for addressing homelessness
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As a Portland resident who witnesses the struggles of people without housing every day in my neighborhood, I urge the City Council to pursue the 5-part plan for addressing the needs of our homeless population.

The sidewalks in front of my home and the park across the street are not appropriate places for people to establish residences in tents. We need to provide humane, short- and long-term solutions to the housing crisis, getting people quickly off the streets and into appropriate housing.

Please direct all available resources to addressing this problem, and work closely with other governmental jurisdictions on a coordinated approach.

--Andy Barker