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To: <u>Council Clerk – Testimony</u> **Subject:** Support for Mayor's proposal

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I support the outlines of the program Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Ryan have proposed. Acknowledging the complexity of the problem, it should be clear to all that Portland is in an emergency situation regarding providing services for the homeless and clearing the tents from public streets. Emergency measures should be taken. Yes, it is a humanitarian crisis, and the current situation also presents a public health crisis and livability crisis. Portland, and in no small measure Multnomah County, have dithered on this too long while conditions have worsened.

Please, please, in partnership with the county and the state move forward on this proposal as speedily as possible.

Thank you. Sandy Rowe