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Until and unless another plan comes along that removes homeless campers from our streets, I fully support Mayor Wheeler’s plan. The status quo is not working and Portland is suffering. Portland needs more housing. Millions and millions of dollars have been spent over the past 5 yrs while the homeless population has continued to grow. It is time to try something new.

I do not believe that homeless citizens should be able to camp wherever they please. I do not believe that because one is homeless one can urinate and defecate wherever one pleases. I do not believe it is OK for homeless citizens to break the law by leaving trash all over or shooting drugs on city sidewalks.

I think that Portland has drawn homeless from other parts of Oregon and the country due to our lack of laws governing the homeless population.

It is time for a change. Portland will continue to decline as long as we allow our city to be overrun with homelessness individuals.

This plan will certainly need tweaking, but I firmly believe that it is a good start.

Please support this plan,

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