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Good afternoon -

First off I love spending time in Portland. Its one of my favorite cities in the country and hands down has the best food scene nationwide!

However, that is coming to an end as we speak to the lack of EFFECTIVE action to address the violent crime and homeless issues facing the city. As a Portland business owner, it is harder than ever to keep our doors open. Our staff has to take nonlethal force training just to be safe and care mace at all time. Our businesses are constantly attacked and broken into. Our staff don't feel safe.

Please do your job and enforce the laws. Hire more police. Arrest and jail criminals. Clean up and remove illegal homeless camps. Build safe parking lots, provide services, and build housing - but keep your tax-paying citizens and businesses safe first.

Thank you,
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