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**Subject:** Portland Plan for the Reed neighborhood

Comprehensive Zoning Plan for Reedwood:

For some years we have supported the Reed Neighborhood Association to protect this inner city mid-century modern neighborhood (north and south of Raymond Avenue). Our home was built in 1962 and we want the R-7 designation to be permanent with no R-5 modification.

We have watched expensive single story homes be torn down to put up towering giants - 2 and 3 on the same lot. We have seen neighbors lose the privacy of their back yards, access to the sun, and, we are sure, devaluation of their property in the shadow the of new giants.

We are concerned every time a house goes up for sale. Our large perennial (blueberry, etc) and annual vegetable garden would no longer be possible. We know neighbors who now live in such shadow.

We are concerned about living in a green city, where homes are restored, not demolished; where yards do not become so small no generous tree canopy is possible; where green drainage footage is increased, not paved over; where the character of the Reedwood neighborhood becomes a hodgepodge of housing heights. We do not have the money or backing East Moreland and SW Portland have to be able to buy out the offending developer

We do not only live in Portland. We live in a neighborhood, a community, and we feel besieged by developers. Does how we feel carry any weight in you actions?

Sincerely,

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