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On Behalf Of:

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Measure: HB3501

As a mother who is raising her children in NE Portland, I vehemently oppose this measure. I personally have feared for my family's safety while taking my child to their school in North Portland. It's next to a park where people camp. My kids have faced these campers exposing themselves. I've watched them purchase drinks in mass quantities only to empty them and trade the cans for drug money. I've seen people get attacked by dogs who are living in those tents. We have enabled this problem enough. It makes me want to cry that this has even been proposed. It's a blatant disregard to read the room...there are progressives who live in Portland who don't agree with this extreme measure. Every day more and more people move away and more and more businesses close. I'm tired of fearing for my safety and unlike others, I can't afford to move away. Please, drop this bill. It's harmful to Portland and the future generation of Portlanders.