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Rural municipalities like Roseburg need more flexibility and clearer authority to maintain the usability of our public spaces. Unlike major metropolitan hubs, smaller communities often lack the social service infrastructure to manage large-scale encampments. Local leaders need the power to protect our parks, sidewalks, and historic business districts in a way that respects the specific footprint of our town and the safety of all residents.

Urban solutions shouldn't be forced onto rural landscapes. Our challenges require localized decision-making. We need a framework that allows Roseburg to implement its own solutions rather than being governed by policies tailored for Portland or Eugene.