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RE: Manufactured Dwelling Park Project

Dear Portland Planning and Sustainability Commission,

We encourage you to adopt the Manufactured Dwelling Park Project. This new zoning designation will contribute to the stability and longevity of 56 manufactured housing parks citywide, six of whom are located in our Cully neighborhood. Our local homes provide nearly 1000 affordable dwellings, and for over 3,000 households in Portland.

Manufactured housing parks are home to older adults, people living with disabilities, veterans, people of color, immigrants, and families with young children. In many cases, these are the only homes accessible and affordable to those who would otherwise be priced out of the city or made homeless by rising housing costs. In other cases, manufactured homes provide an opportunity for Portlanders to escape homelessness and find stable housing. This is true for all of the residents of the Oak Leaf Mobile Home Park, just across the street from us.

As property values and redevelopment pressures continue to climb, it becomes all the more urgent to ensure long-term stability for all of our manufactured housing parks. By strictly limiting the allowed land uses where existing parks are located, this proposal will help ensure that thousands of affordable homes are preserved for current and future residents. In doing so, the Manufactured Dwelling Park Project helps to implement the City's anti-displacement commitments under the new Comprehensive Plan – including Policy 5.37, which specifically refers to the preservation of mobile home parks. We believe lower-income households should always be able to find stable, affordable homes in Portland. Adopting the Manufactured Dwelling Park Project will help achieve this vision by preventing displacement and ensuring stability for thousands of our neighbors. We thank you in advance for supporting this essential affordable housing preservation measure.

Sincerely,

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