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Portland Planning and Sustainability Commission
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RE: Manufactured Dwelling Park Project

Dear Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability,

I'm writing on the behalf of the Jade District to urge you to support and adopt the Manufactured Dwelling Parks project.

The Jade District community includes immigrants, refugees, and those who sought cultural belonging while balancing the means of affordability. In the past, the Jade District is where folks were able to find affordable homes and since then, our community built a strong and thriving commercial district and neighborhood identity that reflects the experiences and diverse facets of life. Currently, the Jade District is home to one of the most diverse census tracts in the entire state and yet our neighborhood also has one of the highest concentrations of poverty in the state.

Members of our community have been displaced at least once before; whether it be from being priced out of other parts of Portland, such as Old Town Chinatown, or from their home countries and for some people, both. In the past four years, our engagement with over 40,000 people across 5 different languages in community visionings, our annual Jade District Night Market, and multiple neighborhood canvasses, residents and business owners have echoed their deep concern about new developments and the risks it poses in increasing rents that would displaced our businesses and renters. Policy change is one of the most sustainable and definite ways that we can guarantee affordability and stability and preserve the choice and dignity of residents to choose they place they call home.

Affordability, diversity, and density of housing is necessary in the upcoming years as our neighborhoods and the City of Portland develops. Mobile home parks already fulfill our communities needs by providing affordable housing for vulnerable residents. Our communities deserve the right to stay in their homes, benefit from public projects and start building intergenerational wealth and stability. The Manufactured Dwelling Parks will serve to stabilize our communities and we encourage the Planning and Sustainability Commission to support the project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Maiyee Yuan", written in a cursive style.

Maiyee Yuan

Jade District Community Organizer, APANO (Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon)