

Hello,

I'm so happy that you are finally letting the public finally weigh in on this measure. Thank you.

I remember how poorly the ballot was written. I never thought something like this would pass in Portland. But at the time, folks who did or used to do recreational drugs thought, "hey who can this really hurt?" People that voted for this measure, did not think it through. They just looked at all the positives behind promised in the pamphlet & they thought - Who would this really hurt?

This is one of your biggest health and safety issues in Oregon.

It has hurt children. It has hurt communities. It has hurt small businesses. It has hurt families. It has hurt families & has destroyed so so so many. People are literally dying every day.

This Measure has helped the "non profits" that obviously highly profiting from "helping."

I'm a 4th Generation Portlander & Parkrose resident in East Portland. My kids are the 5th generation to Parkrose. I've heard all the wonderful stories about how beautiful our community used to be. I've witnessed how beautiful our community once was. We were forgotten out this way and businesses started leaving before this Measure passed. But once it passed - it totally did us in. East County was changed forever.

For example. We used to have a nice Safeway grocery store, Police Department & Target to shop in Menlo park. It really was the anchor to our community on NE 122nd x Glisan. Once the police Department closed down & those businesses fled from drug use & theft. And to top it off, instead of helping us drive other business that would benefit our community- the City of Portland swooped in on our prime real estate. Are government agencies benefiting from Measure 110 by growing their real estate portfolios with the best commercial spaces in town?? Sure seems like it to me.

Now we have DHS to take up that location & a "file storage" center on it's way. Plus a brand new bottle return center (with miles long lines), sidewalk being blocked by credit card signup tents outside DHS, homeless camps openly doing drugs, more theft driving out what we have left of our small businesses, robberies. Where is the positive things? What is Measure 110 doing to grow our community's for the good of humanity? I can't see anything that benefits our communities.

I will not drive my children up 122nd any longer past NE Burnside x 122nd. The groups of folks openly smoking fentanyl is absolutely beyond disturbing. My 4 year old son would ask what they are doing. It's so unhealthy in all aspects it breaks my heart. The last time there were 8 people all shooting up in a hidden right outside my car window on NE 122nd by the Blackburn center. Did you know that they give away free needles & they give away free drugs? Did you know that people die there? Why aren't we helping people with actual rehabilitation facilities?

What happened to tough love? Why can't we love our community members and want to help them get clean & sober? How do we actually get good people off the streets.

Drugs are addictive. We live in this world where pharmaceuticals are normalized. They are the gateway drugs to these hard drugs Measure 110 decriminalization. But when is enough, enough? When are you

going to take action & stand up for our citizens? Who is standing up for kids? Why are we letting our next generation be set up to fail in life?

You need up look at the roots of our issues. Don't just put a bandaid over the top of them. Measure 110 is a huge root to many problems here in Oregon. It's time to cut the cartels off and help people get their lives back. Lives away from drugs, sex trafficking, and more.

You need to be showing folks you care by giving them some tough love. Give them actual resources to help. There need to be consequences for bad behavior.

Mental Health Facilities, Rehabilitation Facilities, and on the street programs like the old CHEIRS vans need to be put back in play.

Stop turning a blind eye to the citizens & future of Portland. Our kids need your strength to stand up to these nonprofit organizations that will look you straight in the eye, scream from the roof-tops that they are helping people with measures like these.

And then once you start to fix the issues measures 110 have created. You can start fixing our sex trafficking problems, our government real estate grab greed, supporting our police officers so we can have more than 8 officers in East Portland and making sure that we are being heard by all our representatives.

There are so many agenda items of people that are suppose to be representatives of our communities.. but rarely do they have to do with Health & Safety. That's why we NEED you to do the right thing, and repeal this measure. For the health & saftey of our citizen's!

This hearing took far too long to come together.... This should have happened years ago.

Thank you,

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