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I am Lily Wagner, I am a La Crosse resident and attend Logan High School. Today I am urging you to protect our un housed citizens and vote against this violently classist and anti-houseless ordinance. Please expand on programs that seek to help un housed people find shelter and support instead of using bandaid solutions to problems that run much deeper. Instead of criminalizing the use of spaces by the unhoused, let us reflect as a community on why these people can't find housing. A deteriorating economy, rising costs of living and loss of personal documents can be attributed as some of myriad problems our unhoused citizens face. Let us not kick these people while they're down, but lend a helping hand to give them access to stability and community. There is no one solution to fixing homelessness in our county, however this is just rubbing salt in the wound of systemic classism. I am urging you to expand on programs that would increase substance abuse support, access to affordable food, affordable housing as well as adequate shelters. Please do not let this be yet another punch in the face to La Crosse citizens, please vote against this ordinance.