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Hello City of La Crosse Board of Public Works,

My name is Allison Yingst and I am a resident of the City of La Crosse. I understand that there is a vote to ban camping in the Marsh for the unhoused population happening next week (Bill 24-0510).

I have spent time biking and walking through the marsh trails and have encountered individuals who appear to be camping in the area. They do not obstruct the trails, they are peaceful and kind, they are not bothering passerbys. I fear that by banning this population from camping here, they will not have other safe places to go, as many encampments in the city have been abolished, leaving individuals displaced. This is the most "out of sight" that these folks can be, compared to in the downtown area.

Until there is immense and reasonable cause to displace these individuals again (obstructing the trails, etc), I would encourage the City to avoid making this ban.

Thank you very much for your time in reading my message and for your efforts in working for the City of La Crosse.

Allison Yingst