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Hello city council members,

My name is Allison Rice and I am a student at UW La Crosse. I am in support of ordinance 32-5 because of the ongoing event that I have faced due to the homeless specifically drug addicted epidemic in La Crosse. One event that took place was when I worked at the Courtyard Marriott. There was a homeless man in Riverside Park that chased me back into the Courtyard Marriott building when I was taking the trash out. It was around 11 PM, and because I do not have a car, I had to walk back to my apartment in fear that I may stumble across him again. Another occurrence was recently in my old apartment, the Hive on state. It was late on a Thursday night, and I was in my apartment alone as all of my roommates went out. I heard a noise coming from the staircase and looked to see what it was. A homeless man was camping out in the staircase of my apartment that needs a fab for access. He chased me down the hall back into my apartment, where I panicked to call the police. He waited outside my door for a few minutes then left. He received no punishment. As a 20-year-old woman I do not feel safe anymore walking downtown or in the parks, at work, and now it has gotten to be where I don't feel safe in my apartment. Thank you for your time and for your service to the city of La Crosse. I love this city so much; I do not want to see it decay.

Thank you,
Allison R

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