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## Council Members -

I understand the Council will be considering a restriction on camping in City parks.

Park Bank shares a city block with Burns Park. The homelessness problem here is significant.

- Our customers frequently wait in their cars in the parking lot until they feel safe coming inside. Other customers have elected instead to either a.) only use the drive-up, or b.) use our branches in Holmen and Sparta.
- In the past, we've asked the Police to drive through our parking lot overnight to keep the homeless from camping under our drive-up canopy.
- On two occasions, the Police have asked to access footage from our outside security cameras for evidence of an assault and a public sex act.
- Allowing the homeless to congregate in city parks creates a health problem. We pick up garbage every morning and find used needles in our parking lot.
- Our staff have been threatened by the homeless. On one occasion, a staff member discovered a homeless person urinating on her car as she approached at the end of the day.

We would appreciate your support in prohibiting camping in all City parks.

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