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- **5.** 10/05/2020
- 6. Enhanced Homeless Shelter
- In Support for the Shoreline Enhanced Shelter for the Homeless Dear Friends,

As a look out from my backyard I can see the tents of the United We Stand encampment hosted by Calvin Presbyterian Church. I celebrate the compassion of this church that has hosted encampments for the last five years. The people of United We Stand are my neighbors and they have been good neighbors. When my church welcomed homeless encampments on three occasions we had no difficulties with any form of crime or vandalism. I credit the homeless for helping our church members grow in awareness, love and compassionate service. New friendships were born. We shared food, we shared movie nights at the church, we shared a clean up project. Each time they left church property in better condition than when they arrived. I support moving forward with the Shoreline Enhanced Shelter for the Homeless. It will be a vote for hope rather than fear. It will be a vote for help rather than exclusion. It will be a vote for sharing compassion in an era when those who struggle and suffer are often dismissed as losers. Let your vote open a door to stability, support and shelter from the endurance of damp, cold nights on the ground. Let your vote count for the neighbors who need your help. Let your vote to rezone create a new zone of mercy and heart in Shoreline. Sincerely,

Rev. Dr. Paul Ashby, Pastor Richmond Beach Congregational

8. (o) Support

Thank you, City of Shoreline

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