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THE LESSER OF CAPITALIST EVILS: CONTINUE THE AUTHORIZED CAMP SITE

What most people don't realize is that the least expensive option would be to just pay rent for people to live in market rate apartments — but that would be an option that in practice can't be implemented without actually eliminating the market and recognizing housing as an inherent human right.

There is no capitalist solution to our endemic homelessness problem. Any capitalist response we adopt will entrench and exacerbate the chasm between the rich and the unrich, between the ruling class and the struggling masses, institutionalizing, normalizing and formalizing the maintenance of concentration camps and ghettos for those forced into houselessness.

But until we rise up and replace our illusory 'democratic' system with one that is actually democratic, i.e. one that actually fosters equal economic, environmental, social, racial and health justice under law, minimal humanitarian ethics demand that we not extinguish the right of everyone to exist somewhere by criminalizing that existence everywhere.

Hence, the least of capitalist evils being extension of the Authorized Camp Site, Temporary Safe Outdoor Space and indoor shelters while the just among us redouble efforts to abolish exploitation of basic human needs for profit by the ruling class.

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