

Justice Sonia Sotomayor, the first Latina to serve on the Supreme Court, commented that punishing people for being homeless is 'cruel and unusual' under the Eighth Amendment. Homelessness strikes our District disproportionately. We have homeless immigrant families being turned away from shelters that are at capacity, having to sleep in bus shelters and on school playgrounds, a tragedy in a city with a GDP that rivals that of **Portugal**. The City can continue conducting sweeps as it has been for decades, but nothing has nor will fundamentally change unless we expand our permanent supportive housing, shelter, and emergency rental assistance programs, AND take our state and federal government to task in helping us scale up investments in subsidized housing and beds for the thousands of people struggling with mental health and substance use disorder. I will do just that as Supervisor, and much more, on homelessness. My full homelessness platform is available at jackieforsf.com/homelessness.