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Medical Freedom and Responsibility

Members of the Petersburg Assembly,

I am against the continuation of the masking ordinance relabeled as Ordinance #2021-21. I am also writing to say that I am against the Borough passing any more ordinances having to do with depriving the citizens of Petersburg of their own Medical Freedoms. Sanity is not found in the political realm of our society, for there are too often motivators within our politicians' hearts and lives that have nothing to do with either reason or the welfare of the average community member. Politicians, be they appointed doctors or elected officials, including yourselves, are now motivated to exchange our liberties, including our Medical Freedoms, for a safety realm that they themselves determine. Never before have we been so gullible when it comes to which rights are more important, nor had so many definitions twisted in order to get there. The kicker is that most of these politicians don't persuade with common sense but with the almighty dollar. I would advocate that the Borough, the Hospital, and the School stop taking any more money for Covid that requires some specific behavior from them in return. No longer can you politicians and administrators claim that your securing of these COVID funds results in a benefit or kindness to us. It is not "kind" for you to decide what I may do to protect my family medically. It is not "kind" for you to place upon me, or any other person or business owner in this community, the medical responsibility of the entire community, and don't deceive yourselves masks are medical devices. To slap a mask on someone is exercising a medical measure.

The following summary is from the FDA website: "a medical device is "any instrument, machine, contrivance, implant, [or] in vitro reagent that's intended to treat, cure, prevent, mitigate, [or] diagnose disease in man". "Some examples could be a simple tongue depressor, or a thermometer, all the way to an advanced robotic surgical device."

Roger M Koops, Ph. D., who has over 25 years in the Pharmaceutical and Biotechnology Industry (and does not take money for his opinion) has stated: "There is an exemption clause where products that are intended only for promoting a healthy lifestyle are exempted, but they must meet any of [the FDA] definitions. Mandatory mask mandates do not meet that exemption."

Medical Rights are protected rights by our Constitution, judicial determination, and subsequent legislation. I know I have emphasized this before, but you could very well be opening up the Borough to financial repercussions for violations of the ADA by even asking someone their reasons for not masking, since a mask is a medical device and medical history and decisions are considered legally protected private information under HIPAA. Bodily autonomy and informed consent are also protected by the international law known as the Nuremberg Code. You need to understand world history to understand how terrible this type of governance is. You, right now, are starting out no differently than Hitler, and I don't know how to state that in a kinder way. Nazi Germany started with a medical determination that Jews, Gypsies, and other "undesirables", as they labeled them, were disease carriers, even without medical diagnosis of this

fact, so they were legally commanded to wear a star so that “good”, healthy, non-disease carrying Germans could see them coming and stay safely away from them. It doesn’t matter if you make this a blanket ordinance because you are still creating the harm that the Nuremberg Code forbids, not only in how you overly-legislate people, but in the fact that you are not asking for informed consent. Neither are you contemplating and discussing those harms from masking for which informed consent would be necessary. Lack of oxygen makes the body more acidic and acidic cells can become cancerous. Lack of oxygen to brain cells over an extended period of time is thought to be a leading cause of Alzheimer’s 30 years later. Lack of oxygen in our youth effects their growth physically and mentally. Masking causes social ills within all demographics of our community. Masking an individual who is COVID recovered serves absolutely no purpose and many of our community members, whether vaccinated or not, maskers or not, are COVID recovered. Passing laws that result in inequalities are patently unjust, and yet I would argue the legality of not having exemptions for the Covid recovered as, according to the CDC’s own science, they know of no case of a COVID recovered person being infected again or transmitting the disease or it’s variants. Know your science, and realize that there are different opinions out there than those who pretend to practice medicine while fulfilling the job of a paid politician. Know your legal constraints and refrain from overreach. Know your history, and Please, don’t repeat it!!!

Thank you for your consideration, and please let the current masking ordinance sundown tonight.

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