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While I appreciate the concern and the burden placed upon each of you as we navigate through the Covid paradigm, I ask each of you to keep logic and science in your decision making. By requiring masks, you are delegitimizing the benefits of the vaccine and thus playing into those who are against it. Masks are not the solution to this issue and their effectiveness is questionable by most medical professionals. While I can appreciate your wanting to preserve the welfare of your voters, you have to recognize you cannot legislate health care/healthy lifestyles anymore than you can legislate morality. If you want to legislate masks to "keep everyone safe" then you might as well start legislating exercise, smoking cessation, close down fast food restaurants, ban sodas and sugary drinks, etc., -each of which would have a better affect on health in Charles County than the mask mandate. Given the lack of definitive clinical evidence regarding the effectiveness of wearing vs. not wearing, I think you should allow each INDIVIDUAL person to make the decision that best meets his or her needs for their unique situation. Shared clinical decision making should only exist between the individual and the medical professional consulted, not elected officials.

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