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Required Face Coverings to Reduce the Spread of COVID-19

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I am opposed to the mask mandate. The science proves that masks are mostly useless. The size of the Covid 19 droplets are far smaller than any mask fabric is ,other than a N-95 mask ,and those only provide protection if they are worn properly. Covid droplets average 1 micron, the masks allow droplets up to 80 microns to pass through the fabric hence little if any benefits are achieved by wearing masks. The scientific studies done in a controlled environments show a minimal amount of protection is gained by the use of masks. I therefore request that the mask mandate NOT be implemented in Charles county. As I speak to my neighbors and friends one thing becomes very apparent, mask mandate means people shopping in other states, county and towns other than in Charles County. A short sighted mandate that is implemented directly impacts people shopping in our county. This would affect me by increasing my taxes to make up for the shortfall in county revenue. Now let's look at our children. By forcing them to wear a mask any time they are inside or around other individuals is coming close to child abuse. Many experts have testified as to the harm that forcing them to mask up causes. I can personally testify as to the harm that the forcing of mask wearing has done to my grandkids. Many are having to seek out professional help to allow them to cope with there fears. This is unacceptable especially when you look at the science and see that younger children as well as teenagers are very unlikely to suffer any effects from Covid. Those that do get

infected have very mild symptoms if any. I request that you put the politics aside and do what is right for the citizens of Charles county by ditching the required mask mandate and make it a voluntary act. If you want to wear a mask do so but do NOT make it mandatory.

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Thank you, Charles County, MD

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