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I strongly disagree with mandating masks in our county. Everyone has the right to wear a mask if they so choose. Residents of Charles County should be able to make any health choices that are best for them and their families regarding this issue. This pandemic has been around long enough that people know the risks associated with the illness and as well should be informed of risks associated with wearing masks all the time and the very limited efficacy of masks in protecting from covid or preventing it's spread. On a personal note I have stopped shopping in Charles County because it is no longer enjoyable. When I go into a store the workers there are no longer concerned with good customer service and friendliness but are instead most concerned about enforcing a mask mandate and fellow customers are more unfriendly, rude, and also concerned about forcing others to wear masks. Instead, I have been doing my shopping in Saint Mary's County while this mask mandate has been in force in Charles County. The businesses there allow people to choose for themselves if they will wear a mask or not. So in stores you see some people wearing masks and others aren't. The employees are still friendly and focused on helping their customers and the fellow customers smile at each other and engage in conversation if they so choose. It's a much more enjoyable experience which is worth the extra drive to me. So Saint Mary's County has been getting my family's hard earned income that used to go to businesses in Charles County. Further, our kids have to wear masks at school. I was talking with my 6 year old last night about the debate over masks being mandated or people being able to choose for themselves and he said, "Mommy, do I get to vote. I want them to hear my vote. I would vote that we don't

have to wear masks at school." My 10 yr old often comes home with headaches after school, an issue she didn't have before. It is our God-given right to choose!

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