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Dear Commissioners,

Positivity and Case Rates have turned a corner in the state after peaking a few days ago. The case rate in Charles County has PLUMMETED. Hospitalizations are starting to come down statewide. All of this without a mask mandate. As we've maintained for over a year - the virus will infect seasonally, cases will rise, peak, and fall without any intervention.

The Commissioners can still continue to **advise** masks, advise people to stay away from the ER at the hospital if they are not experiencing a medical emergency, and they can still direct resources toward helping people who are actually sick. Otherwise, you have absolutely no data to justify a mask mandate which will do absolutely nothing to "slow the spread" of something already receding.

Our deaths are the 13th lowest in the state.

Lastly, nearly 1000 residents and businesses have sent you public comments opposing a legislative measure to mandate masks and only 142 have expressed support for the measure. Obviously, people who feel strongly that the very few people not wearing masks right now must be forced or punished are few and far between.

Let's focus on effective treatments that are available for those who are infected. Encourage people to talk to their doctors to do what is best for them and their health situation.

Karen Cross