

Hello,

I am a homeowner in Gaithersburg, MD in Montgomery County. We recently received a communication from Marc Elrich regarding his support for vaccine passports in our county. I want to make this office aware that this is setting a horrible precedent. By requiring a vaccine passport you will be changing the face of our community forever. I have heard the term "medical apartheid" thrown around and I have to agree. On top of the questionable legality of such a measure, I'd like to point out that based on "science," I don't believe such a requirement would benefit the community from a transmission perspective. The "vaccine" does not stop transmission, but it makes symptoms of the virus less severe. If it doesn't stop transmission, then what benefit does it insure the county to require people to get it? It seems to me that this office would like to appear that it is doing something to combat an endemic virus, which is a fools errand. Much like the reinstatement of required mask wearing, such a policy would do nothing to prevent transmission of a virus that will never go away. In the meantime you are asking your residents to give away their freedoms for perceived safety which is not the purpose of the office. I am appalled this office is considering such a measure.

For your reading pleasure I am attaching several studies regarding the efficacy of masks. I'd like to include them because most of us know they do not work to prevent the spread of this virus and yet they are being "mandated" anyway. Much like a vaccine passport has no proven efficacy, it will be used anyway to make it seem like government can do anything to prevent the spread of this virus. It is your job to inform the public of risks, it is the public's job to choose their risk tolerance as appropriate. These methods are outside the norm of good governance and tilting toward tyranny.

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7680614/>

<https://www.acpjournals.org/doi/10.7326/m20-6817>

<https://www.lifesitenews.com/news/47-studies-confirm-ineffectiveness-of-masks-for-covid-and-32-more-confirm-their-negative-health-effects/>

<https://clinicalnews.org/2020/11/18/denmark-trial-measures-effectiveness-of-adding-a-mask-recommendation-to-other-public-health-measures-weak-protection-if-any/>

Thank you,

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