I am not in favor of the Resolution to adopt Board of Health Regulation - Vaccination Requirements to Enter Bars, Restaurants, Recreation Centers, and Other Covered Establishments. Our small businesses (retail, restaurant, medical services) are already suffering from a loss of business due to the pandemic. Those small business owners/operators I have talked with remain firm in their belief that the logistics would be too challenging to navigate and that the potential benefit of encouraging vaccination would be outweighed by the costs, especially in a county with total vaccination rates that are already hovering at 85%. Enough is enough. County residents are ready to move forward and return to the unhindered and unregulated support of our local business community. A passport mandate is not the way to bring back economic prosperity and freedom to our county.

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