Dear County Council,

I ask you oppose continuing the mask mandates in Montgomery County. It is proven not to be effective, even according to the CDC. Only N95 masks have credibility and those are too expensive for so many to be able to buy. And even with the county giving "free" ones out, it just cannot keep up with the demands for every day. It is also even harder to wear an n95 for long periods a day than just a cloth mask.

A request was made to the Health Department to show all the actions taken for non-compliance in the county and the reply back was that since Aug 5, 2021 no actions have taken place. Making this completely useless. MoCo residents have voluntarily worn their masks and will continue to with or without an order in place. Making the compulsory part just another overreach on behalf of the County Council. Stop this insanity! With other countries starting to easy up on restrictions, MoCo better start to show how IT is on the forefront of moving on, opening up and becoming inviting to the world.

Sincerely, Nicole Eckenrode