

DEPUTATION IN WRITING

REGIONAL COUNCIL

JULY 9, 2020

Subject: A special meeting of York Regional Council on July 9, 2020

Spokesperson: Galina Lebov

Name of Group or person(s) being represented (if applicable):

Brief summary of issue or purpose of deputation:

Dear Member of the York Region Council,

I'm writing to draw your attention as you going to have a special meeting relating to mandate face masks in our region.

I would appreciate it if you take the time to thoroughly read my letter and analyze the attached documents concerning the motion to mandate face masks in York Region before you make a desition that can harm lives and violate civil liberties.

I would like to share with you, as an educated intelligence individual, some of my concerns and I'm asking you to consider following sides of the issue:

There is no relevant evidence to support the use of masking to prevent transmission of infection.

1. WHO published: "There is not enough evidence for or against the use of masks (medical or other) in healthy individuals".

2. On the contrary, there is some evidence of people being harmed as a result of wearing a mask, especially people with asthma, heart problems, anxiety, and other disabilities. I personally feel very uncomfortable even thinking about putting a mask on my face.

3. I am asking you to please read the attached relevant studies, the latest letter from OCLA to WHO regarding the use of masking as a public health measure. The attached referenced document clearly explains that there is no scientific evidence that the use of a mask reduces viral infection or transmission, and in fact carries risks that have been shown to be detrimental to health. Here, In Canada, the Ontario Nurses Association won two arbitration hearings against mandatory masking policies imposed on healthcare workers by hospitals.

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4. I can see the effects wearing PPE masks has on people around me. I can see that people are on the verge of a nervous breakdown. I personally had been screamed at by a woman that decided I came too close to her. Please, don't make it worse.

5. Kids rely on their parents' or caregivers' facial expressions. As more and more people are covering their faces in public, it becomes difficult to read facial expressions, see people smile, communicate with them. We can only imagine what a huge negative impact mandatory masks will have on our kids' mental development.

It is critical that our response to SARS-CoV-2 be measured, reasonable, and supported by demonstrable evidence. Given the lack of scientific evidence, **the default position ought to be free will.**

Those who choose to wear a mask can do so. Those who recognize that masking is ineffective and potentially detrimental should also be supported in their choice.

6. I am asking you to respect my rights and freedoms as guaranteed by the Canadian Constitution – and protect the rights and freedoms of our community. As for me, forcing me to wear something, covering half of my face - is a manifestation of a violation of my rights and freedoms. **Consider again and let me choose.**

Thank you sincerely for your time.

Looking forward to getting your response on this matter.

Galina Lebov

A citizen of Vaughan

<https://www.ona.org/news-posts/ona-wins-vaccinate-or-mask-flu-policy/>

https://www.ona.org/wp-content/uploads/ona_kaplanarbitrationdecision_vaccinateormask_stmichaelsoha_20180906.pdf

<http://ocla.ca/ocla-letter-who/>

MASK TEST PROVES TOXIC FOR CHILDREN:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jmEt0UjrnfQ>

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