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Please accept this as my expressed support for Mr. Carmine Perrelli's motion. I know this is going to seem very unprofessional and perhaps whiney. But I would hope you all understand the frustrated tone.

It is time that elected officials begin to stand up and represent the people. It is time to scrutinize the lack of leadership, protocol, communication and responsibility displayed by the provincial government and its Medical Officers. It is time to let our voices be heard with the loss of faith and respect for the government with their REACTIVE approach to this entire CASEDEMIC over the past year. It is time to challenge and demand truth and transparency. It is time that local municipal elected officials stand up and be the leaders of your communities we the people rely on you to be.

To this day the government has failed to protect and invest in the PROVEN and documented, most vulnerable people of this virus, the elderly. Failed to invest in more LTH workers dedicated to specific facilities. Not that these individuals have to travel from Long Term Health facilities to another. Failed to invest in more efficient and modern mechanical systems for the LTH facilities. Failed to protect the vulnerable and and support those that care for them.

There is countless documented evidence and real life results from other nations that lockdowns DO NOT WORK. This flu virus is here with us FOREVER it is not going away. It is time to learn how to live with it rather than trying to control people's lives.

PROTECT THE ELDERLY, PROTECT THE LTH WORKERS. The great majority of cases and deaths come from LTH facilities not schools, not places of business, not malls or grocery stores. If common sense was used last year we would be better off than we are now. Isolate the LTH workers to certain facilities. Assign them to one work place rather than multiple. Hire more LTH workers. Invest in them to protect the most vulnerable.

This government has put the wrong "experts" in place to tackle the task at hand. It is shameful how all levels of government have just sat on their hands and passed the responsibility off to other people.

I am not alone when I say my kids have reached the end of their patience with online schooling. They have no more patience for the constant conversations of COVID. They are extremely frustrated with not having the proper learning environment. They are frustrated with the fact that they can not go out for recess and play. They are fed up with being at home. Their moods and mental state continue to decline. Let our kids back in school! Open up and listen to the most respected institution for kids health, Sick Kids. Open your mind, ears and eyes.

I hope some of these articles will provide some insight.

<https://c2cjournal.ca/2020/12/every-store-and-school-should-be-open-confronting-the-pandemic-with-confidence/>

<https://torontosun.com/news/provincial/new-sickkids-report-warns-of-significant-harms-of-school-closure>

<https://www.frontiersin.org/articles/10.3389/fpubh.2020.604339/full#SM6>

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Honorable Doug Ford,
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Dear Premier Ford,

We are writing to you, as a group of 5 ON, 1 NS and 7 BC physicians, in support of the Open Letter submitted to your office by Roman Baber MPP. Firing Mr. Baber for pointing out the futility and dangers of COVID lockdowns will not solve your problems or save your province. Unlike politicians, Canadian medical doctors now have a duty to speak up from the perspective of science, not political maneuvering.

As physicians, we see that your government policies are having a horrific effect on the mental and physical health of Ontario's citizens. In British Columbia, they have not yet implemented a second lockdown as a means of controlling coronavirus spread because they have identified the terrible consequences of lockdowns on unemployment, suicides, overdoses, spousal and child abuse, poverty, and deaths from despair. The BC leaders learned their lesson from the first lockdown, but it seems your government and public health advisors have not.

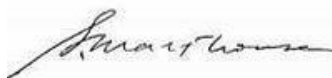
Research clearly shows that lockdowns have not reduced COVID hospitalizations, ICU admissions or deaths in North America or Europe¹. In fact, lockdowns have increased life-years lost by 1000%, using a conservative calculation^{2,3}. Imprisoning the young to protect the frail elderly was never a part of any country's original pandemic plan.

Forcing the citizens of Ontario to sacrifice their businesses, their activities of daily life and their physical and mental well-being in order to protect the healthcare system from being overloaded is misguided. Our own and colleagues' experiences show that Ontario hospitals are occupied at or below capacity for this time of year. Many rural emergency rooms are almost empty. People are too frightened by the constant fear-mongering on TV to come in to see a doctor. There is plenty of head scratching and disbelief among our medical peers when your public health "experts" announce that the hospitals are overwhelmed. A review of early December 2020 Intensive Care Unit occupancy showed it to be only 80%, which is less than the previous 3 years⁴. Hospital occupancy was also significantly down at 84%.

There is no scientific or medical basis for lockdowns. If your policies are politically motivated to win votes in the next election, we anticipate that you will be disappointed. The public is waking up to the collateral destruction the lockdowns are causing in the province of Ontario and elsewhere in Canada. It is getting difficult to ignore the devastation as government policy makers reach into people's businesses and homes to punish them for trying to be good Canadians.

Sincerely,

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¹ <http://bit.ly/2NuPZgM> ² <https://bit.ly/2Y5fxDb> ³ <http://bit.ly/2UTrk5M> ⁴ <http://bit.ly/365o8dm>

Have an Extraordinary Day.

The Very Best Regards,
Massimo