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Hamilton Board of Health
City of Hamilton

Dear Hamilton Board of Health:

I am writing you today to express my dismay at the prospect of mandatory masks for those indoors in Hamilton.

In terms of reasonability, while a mask requirement may have been reasonable when there were a growing number of covid-19 cases, currently there are many days when Hamilton reports zero new cases.

In addition, according to Hamilton's covid-19 map, there are huge swaths of the city with zero confirmed cases in total!

Many people do not believe this a medical issue as "The Board" has not recommended that people cover their faces with a Class 1 or Class 2 medical device as a scarf, napkin or other random, non-medical, unverified and untested clothing items meet the projected requirement.

Do zero cases of covid-19 in areas justify the mandating of non-medical, untested and unverified masks?

Is this a reasonable restriction of rights or freedoms? I think the objective viewpoint would clearly be "no". If this board recommends mandatory face coverings, it will not be due to objective data, it will be due to politics – and politics should not be associated with the board of health.

Thank you for your time, thank you for listening to this viewpoint and I hope Hamilton makes a decision that is based in data as there are currently zero peer-reviewed studies that suggest scarves protect people from Covid-19.

Regards,

Kyle Morrison