

August 18, 2021

Chair P. Scott Lipps and Vice Chair Adam Holmes

Ohio House Committee on Health

77 South High Street, 13th Floor

Columbus, OH 43215

Re: Support for HB 248

Chairman Lipps, Vice Chair Holmes, Ranking Member Russo, and Members of the House Health Committee,

My name is Rebecca Mannarino, and I am retired but have friends and family in positions that are threatened if House Bill 248 is not passed and implemented.

Covid has impacted many lives and certainly there have been deaths. But overall, the statistics show that the survival rate is greater than 98% of cases. This is certainly a slippery slope to begin to allow businesses to fire employees for not being vaccinated.

The United States of America was founded on personal responsibility. The ability of people and families to make personal health choices.

I chose to be vaccinated as I do the flu shot, shingles vaccines etc. But that is my choice. To allow our citizenry to treat the unvaccinated as 2nd class citizens is appalling.

Our country needs to get back and stay back to normal operations. We cannot afford to have more unemployed in a time when every business needs workers. We cannot allow an illness to become a political football.

Please support HB248 to protect Ohioans from government intervention into their individual rights.

Thank you for your time

Respectfully,

Rebecca Mannarino