

Chairman Lipps, Vice Chair Holmes, Ranking Member Russo, and Members of the House Health Committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide proponent testimony on House Bill 248.

My name is Pamela Dillinger and I am a stay-at-home mom and the reason I support House Bill 248 is because it defends our God-given rights stated in our U.S. Constitution which is the supreme law of the United States of America. The Constitution does not become void because government officials choose not to recognize its authority. We as U.S. citizens have inalienable rights endowed by our Creator. Our Constitution affirms that *We the People* do not need the government to tell us how to live. Indeed, the power lies with *We the People*. We have the FREEDOM to individually choose what is best for our health. It is sad that we even have to send letters to our leaders encouraging them to do the right thing and follow the Constitution and support HB 248.

The overreach of the government during this past year has been unbelievable. We have been told how far apart to stand from each other. We have been told to wear masks or be refused entry to businesses. We have been told what jobs are essential. We have been told that children cannot attend in-person schooling. People and businesses have been fear-mongered into forced compliance. As defined by Wikipedia, "Forced compliance theory is the idea that authority or some other perceived higher-ranking person can force a lower-ranked individual to make statements or perform acts that violate their better judgement. It focuses on the goal of altering an individual's attitude through persuasion and authority." People's lives have been destroyed, altered, and forever changed because our leaders decided to railroad our government and engage in forms of tyranny with no regard for our supreme law, the Constitution, and its citizens.

Now we are staring at the prospect of our leaders forcing upon its citizens an experimental vaccine that has not been approved by the FDA. The experimental vaccine had to get an emergency authorization order in order to get approval to administer it. The emergency authorization can only be given when a therapeutic is not available. This explains why Hydroxychloroquine (HCQ) was demonized last year even though HCQ has been FDA approved and was approved for medical use in the United States in 1955. Indeed, HCQ is a generic drug that has been used safely with pregnant women, breastfeeding women, children, elderly, and immune compromised individuals. It has been used to safely treat patients with Lupus and Rheumatoid Arthritis for decades. The safety of HCQ is irrefutable. And yet our leaders are considering forcing an experimental vaccine and allowing the citizens to be the research. Will the leaders put into place some mandate that once again violates our constitutional freedoms? Or will they try to create an atmosphere that strongly encourages, incentivizes, and bullies businesses to force a vaccine passport onto their patrons, patients and employees? Hence, creating division, discrimination and animosity among coworkers and employers, students and teams, people against people. For years, we have encouraged people to not give into peer pressure and not take experimental drugs but now it is going to be forced upon us and we are supposed to willingly go with the "science". What science? We were forced to wear masks because "masks save lives". But where are the studies that prove masks work? There are plenty of studies that show masks don't work, including a recent study from Stanford. Even Dr. Fauci's emails confirm that he knew masks don't work. Where are the studies that show that the Covid-19 vaccine is safe? We are told it is safe but there are no long term studies. It isn't enough to just say it's safe. There are studies that show that trial vaccines for SARS proved to be very dangerous in the long term and therefore the trial vaccine did not get approved. The information about the Covid-19 experimental vaccine has been censored making research difficult, if not impossible. How is this allowing for informed consent when it comes to the Covid-19 vaccine? Every day new studies show us complications that are arising from the vaccine. Why do our leaders blindly want us to take an experimental vaccine? As Americans we have the right to make our own medical decisions.

We have witnessed a full blown campaign to wear masks and now we see a full blown campaign to get the vaccine. A campaign that has Hollywood and social influencers advertising their vaccine jab. A campaign that offers prizes ranging from donuts to millions of dollars. Governor DeWine, not one to be shown up, decided to offer millions to Ohioans that have been vaccinated! Which brings us to DeWine's campaign known as Vax-a-million! While families are struggling to put food on the table because our leaders spent a year violating our American Freedoms and destroying jobs, small businesses, education and our daily lives and many children suffering the most, DeWine is now handing out millions, 5 million to be exact, plus, scholarships to children. Where did the governor get this money to hand out like candy? According to one of DeWine's 55 tweets sent out on May 12th (The day he announced Vax-a-Million.), "The money will come from existing federal Coronavirus Relief Funds." This is a huge misuse of federal funds in order to entice and coerce its citizens into getting the experimental vaccine with a lottery style give-a-way. All this for a virus that if gotten has a 99+% recovery for most people! Surely, there are ways to use that money to benefit Ohioans more than handing out large sums of money to 5 individual Ohioans. Why would our government offer cash prizes in exchange for receiving the experimental Covid-19 vaccine? Especially, given the fact that in May 2020 DeWine cut nearly 800 million dollars in state spending due to the lack of tax revenue caused by the draconian mandates brought on by our leaders and their handling of the coronavirus. Again, I ask why the push for an experimental vaccine for an illness that has a 99+% recovery? Why would our state pressure our private healthcare decisions with cash and scholarships? All for a virus that has therapeutics that are safe and effective! In fact, how many have died because the

cure was hidden and made unavailable to the public? Which by the way, HCQ can also be used to prevent (prophylactic) Covid-19.

There also seems to be a huge conflict of interest when it comes to our governor promoting and incentivizing the vaccine. As reported by Jack Windsor of The Ohio Star, Governor DeWine owns stocks in Pfizer and Johnson & Johnson according to his Financial Disclosure Statements for 2017, 2018, and 2019. Furthermore, Mr. Windsor also reports that DeWine owns shares of Mesa Labs.

A quick glance at Governor DeWine's Twitter page shows tactics being used to push this vaccine, which include fear mongering and shaming. On May 12th, Governor DeWine tweeted the following: "The vaccinated among us feel liberated. They can hug their grandkids, go out to eat, go to a ball game—live their life—all without fear." In his tweet, DeWine takes three things that, in my opinion, fall under the category of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. He takes these God-given freedoms and associates them with liberty IF we have been vaccinated and that we can enjoy these liberties without fear IF we have been vaccinated.

Our governor also puts out disinformation regarding the vaccine. For example, on May 12th Governor DeWine tweeted the following: "Each person now has access to a mighty weapon they can use to get 100 percent protection, and it is up to each Ohio citizen whether to use it or not. There comes a time when individual responsibility simply must take over." The studies show that fully vaccinated people can still test positive for Covid-19. Perhaps this is why health officials are no longer testing people who have been vaccinated. How many people have taken the vaccine in Ohio because they fear losing their job or being ostracized by their family, friends, co-workers and community?

At this time, I would like to thank all those who have orchestrated and organized our citizens to stand up and push back against unconstitutional mandates and counter these attacks on Ohioans as we face this agenda for others to try to control our healthcare decisions. I support HB 248 and urge others to take a stand to protect our medical privacy rights and our freedom.

Sincerely,

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