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

My name is Alicia Richcreek, and I am a mom who is deeply concerned with the concept of vaccine passports. My family and I have faced discrimination because we would not and could not wear masks and I can only imagine the type of segregation and discrimination that will occur should vaccine passports come to fruition. It is not the government's job to tell me or anyone else what type of medical procedure I/we have to have done in order to be an active member in society; it should be a choice. Period. The discrimination is already occurring in businesses with employees who do not want to get the vaccine. They are being told they have to still wear a mask. I talked to an employee at Aldi who stated as much. It will create a caste system which goes against the very principles this country was founded on. My livelihood and the livelihoods of others should NOT be based on whether or not we receive the vaccine. Life, liberty and pursuit of happiness will be demolished for those who choose to not get the vaccine. I do not want this type of life or future for my children or anyone else's children for that matter.

Thank you once again for the opportunity to provide testimony on the need and urgency of House Bill 248.

Sincerely,

Alicia Richcreek