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 Lisa Puterbaugh, and I am a former high school English teacher and current stay at home mother to two beautiful children. The reason I am in strong support of House Bill 248 is because it will create a horrifying chasm between those who will not (for medical, personal, or religious reasons) get a certain vaccine (but certainly not the Covid that is not FDA approved for a disease that has over a 99 % survival rate) if our medical freedoms are not protected. A passport sounds very much like communism and will create a horrific divide in behavior with terrible discrimination. If passed, we are opening a door to the end of every freedom. It really does sound to me like when they classed Jewish people as dirty and diseased during WWII, and I do not believe I am being dramatic when I use this example. In the last year, I have watched many of my friends, who are exempt from wearing masks, be treated with horrifying contempt. The mask issue has created a terrible discriminatory issue in our society, how will passports not be the end of a free society? I have read multiple studies that masks, on the whole, are not working. However, as you know, there are two different sets of information out there. That seems to me that information is being suppressed. I personally know two individuals that have had terrible side effects from the vaccine, and how do we know what this will do to us in many years? This horrifies me as the responsible parent of children. If we do not protect our medical freedom and privacy, we have opened the door to unstoppable discrimination that will absolutely decimate our financial health and personal lives.

The propaganda of this vaccine and the vilification of those who have researched the ingredients plus the lack of any long-term trial has me and most I know asking what is going on with this push to vaccinate. Certainly, making common knowledge personal medical decisions and having different standards for those who decide not to will create a terrible divide. If this bill is not passed, there is no going back. We are standing on top of a mountain here, and I am begging you with my whole heart to protect Ohioans. If we are not protected from this, it will be like jumping into the end of America.

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

Kind regards,

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