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 Kelli Elmore and I am physical therapist in a skilled nursing facility and the reason I support House Bill 248 is because I believe in the Bill of Rights. I love my job, I love helping people, and I value my life. Mandating this vaccine will put my health at risk and would be contradictory to my religious beliefs.

I fear for my life and that of my family, if mandated to inject these substances into our God created bodies. I have had many severe reactions to other common vaccinations and medications at different times in my life including anaphylaxis, kidneys shutting down, and becoming violently ill. My physician has strongly recommended and has stated I "cannot" accept this vaccine. Mandating this vaccine would deny me the right to pursue my career I have worked so hard for, for over 20 years and would deny my patients the help of a very caring, skilled, and competent therapist who produces great results.

I truly believe that there is no greater protection from this or other viruses than my God. He has shown me what man made medications and vaccines are doing to the body he created by the previously stated health issues I have encountered. Many experts have stated evidence that these vaccines for Covid 19 are damaging God's creation. Some personal experiences I have observed are: 1. A very healthy friend of mine started throwing clots in her eye at the same time her healthy father was throwing clots in his lungs just after each of them received the vaccine. 2. Many nurses I work with daily are complaining of having difficulty thinking and memory deficits (ie brain fog) since receiving the vaccine. These are only a few of the reported side effects from receiving the vaccine.

How can we say that aborting a human being is okay but declining a vaccine, that is harmful to God's design, is not? I have a right to be a productive citizen and give my talents to the world without compromising my health and my religious beliefs.

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

Sincerely, Kelli L Elmore, PT