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Testifying on Bill Number: SENATE BILL 22

Testimony:  Verbal  Written  Both

Testifying As:  Proponent  Opponent  Interested Party

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Rishanne Golden – Small Business Owner

Support for SB22

Chairman Roegner, Vice Chair McColley and Ranking Minority Member Craig, and members of the Government Oversight and Reform Committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide written and verbal testimony to my support of Senate Bill 22.

Today, I come as a concerned citizen, and to share how the unilateral orders issued by Governor DeWine and Health Director Stephanie McCloud have horrendously impacted my family and our overall life.

I am a mother of two, a wife, a small business owner, and a student studying natural medicine. In January 1994, I started a small business, hoping to create a career that would allow me to work from home while my children were very young. Two years following, my husband joined that venture, and for 27 years, our small business has become the financial lifeblood for our family, allowing us to provide a home where we raised two beautiful children. Our once successful and lively business came to a sluggish drip almost a year ago when Governor DeWine began imposing restrictions all based on fraudulent data.

Just one year prior to his insane actions, we had experienced the most horrific news a parent could imagine, the loss of our 20 year old daughter from vaccine induced seizures. We had already been juggling monumental difficulties from a wide variety of broken health care systems, that all inflicted great physical and emotional harm, along with staggering financial costs and challenges.

Last year we walked away from a \$1500 per month health insurance premium, especially given it was almost utterly worthless, and because we experienced a 55% reduction in business sales. Knowing all we have learned the last several years, we understood this “pandemic” would in fact, not be short term, and therefore my husband purposely took on weekend employment.

Losing my child just 1 year earlier, I found myself grieving predominately alone, each weekend for 10 months, while my husband worked 2 – 12 hour days to supplement the losses we knew would very likely be coming down the track.

Over the last two months, we have recognized zero sales, and I painfully watch our older daughter suffer as well. Our oldest daughter, also an amazing young lady, just starting out in life, senselessly suffers the loss of her only sibling, and best friend, is healing from her own vaccine injury, and bam, another gut punch; an imposed lockdown forcing her to work alone from home 5 days a week.

As you might imagine, we have done our research and understand more about this “pandemic” than most and therefore, our family refuses to adhere to any imposed mandates that in fact harms our own health and takes away our God given rights.

In doing so however, we now have the lovely experience of being verbally attacked when shopping, or if others are able to contain their disgust, we are the recipients of glares, stares and whispers. Our young

daughter now prefers to remain out of the public, for this gross human behavior is too much for her to withstand.

Years ago, I was held up at gun point, and each in my immediate family has witnessed my precious child experience repeated grand mal seizures. Such experiences, along with fear mongering, the never ending vaccine dialogue of the day, and most importantly our great loss, have brought about a variety of afflictions, and sadly, we are among a vast community across this nation walking a similar path.

So how can my heart not ache further to personally know of countless vaccine injured children and adults who are regressing after having necessary services taken away, especially after having already been so tragically violated. I often wonder how our beautiful young daughter would be handling this insanity, if still alive, and I have many frustrations and grievances watching our older daughter navigate this unnecessary and dire situation.

Our family has walked through days I would wish on no one, and somehow still standing, I am currently enrolled as a student in natural medicine, soon to be a certified health practitioner and someday shortly thereafter a naturopath, hoping to help others learn the hidden truths and avoid our immense pain and loss. I never thought after 27 years of owning and operating a business, and at 57 years old, I would be forced to rise and build a new career, and a life that was not with my family of four, or that I would be doing so because in the land of the free, a dictator rules.

And so I ask each of you to do the same, to rise against what appears to be the land of the greedy, and to stand against the peoples voices being censored or silenced. I am asking you to come against those with great power and influence, those who are dictating the narrative and rule of the day, and I am asking you to see that Ohio returns to a democracy of checks and balances. I am asking for your support of SB22 that will reign in this governor's abuse of power and give the legislature the ability to rescind his dictator like actions that are inflicting great harm, loss and tragedy.

Sincerely,

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