

Public Testimony -End CT Emergency Declarations & Limited Executive Orders

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The Emergency must be ended. The time has come to end the restrictions, plexiglass, closures, panic-mongering, distancing, forced masking and most importantly the vaccine mandates.

It is time to help spread the truth about the virus; it's here to stay and will forever be something the world will live with. The focus should be on treating the virus as a medical rather than a social matter. A declared emergency requires continuous justification of which is lacking.

As per the CDC the Delta variant has been declining to only 0,5% mid January. Omicron even among high risk individuals can in most cases cope with the infection which is typically like a seasonal flu or less. The majority of the vulnerable are vaccinated to help protect against severe symptoms. There are many known inexpensive supplements such as Vitamin D, Magnesium, and Zinc that reduce the risk of disease, not to mention several medications to help prevent hospitalization and death.

It has been proven even in locations with strict lockdown measures there are hundreds of thousands of newly registered omicron cases daily not to mention all the home tests not registered. The masking, distancing have had very small effects on transition. Large scale population quarantine only delays the inevitable. Vaccination and boosters have not halted omicron spread. This wave will run its course despite all supposed emergency measures.

Future variants that evolve from Omicron or not are unlikely to evade the natural immunity provided by Omicron for a long while. New strains will have difficulty finding an environment due to the protection of the population from the widespread omicron spread.

Despite emergency measures hospitalization and covid associated mortality have risen. Lets not forget nobody dies of Covid, they die with Covid. Mortality tends to trail symptomatic infection by about 3-4 weeks. We are seeing the waning of vaccine immunity against serious outcomes 6-8 months after vaccination. These cases will decline over time as delta comes to an end. Lockdowns will not alter that course.

With omicrons mild infection, running its course to the end there is no justification for maintaining emergency status. The lockdowns, personnel firings, personnel shortages and school disruptions have done much damage to the CT residents health and welfare as this virus has.

The emergency cannot be justified by a fear of a hypothetical recurrence of a more severe infection at some future point. If a severe infection or variant were to occur then that would be the time using all the information learned from this outbreak to discuss a declaration of emergency.

Connecticut residents have sacrificed enough of our human rights, livelihoods for 2 years in the name of protecting the general public. The emergency is over, it is time to cancel the declaration of emergency and let us live our lives as intended by our forefathers.

Respectfully

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