

Testimony in SUPPORT of:
CONTINUATION OF EMERGENCY DECLARATIONS
& LIMITED EXECUTIVE ORDERS

Hearing: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2022 – 9:00 AM

To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing in **SUPPORT** of the Continuation of the Emergency Declarations & Limited Executive Orders. One of the reasons why CT has been successful at dealing with Covid is because Governor Lamont has had the flexibility to respond quickly to new variants and changing situations. While the infection rate is currently decreasing, that is only a reflection of what is going on at the moment. Previously, Delta was on the decrease as well and people were dropping their guard...until Omicron came out of nowhere. We are currently in a similar situation at the moment. The Omicron infection rate is decreasing and people are getting tired of the idea that we are in the midst of a pandemic. Unfortunately, being tired of the pandemic will not make it stop, so we need to remain prepared and vigilant. Covid-19 is a public health emergency that is not going away any time soon. It is important that the Emergency Declarations remain and that Governor Lamont has the ability to act swiftly in response to this ever changing situation. Masking in schools has been shown to help stop the spread of Covid. As a senior in my 80s with a wife with compromised health, we did not feel safe going to the polls during Covid. Being able to vote by absentee ballot due to fear of Covid was safe and easy. Finally, it is important that the Governor can also purchase vital supplies such as testing kits and protective equipment rapidly.

Thank you for supporting the Continuation of Emergency Declarations & Limited Executive Orders.

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