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To Whom it May Concern:

Please extend the Governor's emergency powers that address the mitigation of and disruption of the survival and continued mutation of the Covid virus. We must adhere to the science, which is the only thing standing between us and rampant Covid illness. We cannot end purposeful, scientific mitigation of this deadly virus until we have science-based facts that — beyond a reasonable doubt — show a consistent, long term pattern of a decrease in numbers of illnesses and deaths caused by Covid-19 in the State of Connecticut. To do otherwise would be premature and foolish.

The scientific findings and strategies from a number of leading sources including the World Health Organization (WHO), Centers for Disease Control (CDC), and the American Association of Pediatrics (AAP) all support the continuation of vaccinations plus mask-wearing in public (including in schools) in order to combat and reduce illness and death caused by Covid.

I urge you to extend the Governor's emergency powers, as it is a matter of life and death. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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