Hearing Date <u>2/8/22 9 am</u>.

I am writing to ENTHUSIASTICALLY **support** the continuation of the Emergency Declaration and Limited Executive Orders. In particular, I THINK IT IS ABSOLUTELY CRITICAL to vote in favor of **CONTINUING NO-EXCUSE ABSENTEE VOTING** AS LONG AS THE PANDEMIC CONTINUES – as long as Covid is still contagious and people are still dying – at least through the end of 2022 Covid must continue to constitute a legally acceptable excuse For everyone during the pandemic. It is simply un-Christian and un-American to make people hesitate to vote – or to prevent them from voting -- because they fear catching Covid themselves, or fear exposing other people if they have been recently exposed themselves, or are simply unable to go because someone in their house (like a school child) has unexpectedly become sick and been exposed, and they must stay home to take care of them.

There is NO harm to anyone from letting COVID be an excuse, and GREAT harm to many by continuing CT's pre-Covid harxh restrictions at such a devastating time. Again, I strongly SUPPORT the continuation of the entire Emergency Declaration and limited Executive Orders, AND the continuation of Covid as an excuse during the Covid pandemic.

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