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Dear Mayor Johnston and Commissioners:

Having just read Les Jackson's email to the Commission re: Resolution 20-6054, I am compelled to offer a counterpoint. My sister-in-law (an actual infectious disease DOCTOR) continues to follow the science and promotes the continued use of facial coverings to mitigate COVID-19 spread. Since the article Les Jackson references is written by the American Institute for Economic Research, one must question its motivation before considering its "findings" (even flat-earthers can cherry-pick studies to support their fantasies).

Moreover, the contention that there is no significant difference in COVID spread among cities in Florida that mandate masks and those that don't is patently false; one only need look at statistics in Key West compared to numbers in other cities.

Finally, wearing a mask is no more onerous than wearing pants; it is illegal to walk down Duval street with one's genitals hanging out, and genitalia doesn't even spread disease (at least not through the air...). The notion – promulgated by some – that masks cause skin irritation and bacterial infection leads one to wonder if those folks ought to perhaps WASH the masks once in while (though trying not to obsess too much over genitalia, it isn't very hard to imagine the "challenges" one might face for not washing one's under garments frequently enough, either).

Please continue to tune out the silly noise, and vote YES on the resolution.

Sincerely,

Jack Anderson

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