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### To Whom It May Concern

**I do not support the** further extension of the operation of essential public health measures implemented to facilitate Queensland's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

There is no longer a pandemic. Statistically, the numbers suggest that SARS CoV 2 is now at endemic phase. Hospital admissions are well below modelling, infections are well below modelling, the vaccine is not preventing spread and will not protect against further weakened strains. The general public should now be able to manage their own health without interference by the government.

Vaccine mandates need to go as we know, and is evidenced by the numbers, that the vaccine does not prevent spread. Those who are high risk for the disease can now safely self-manage their own risk and those at low risk should be able to get back to work and back to life. Vaccine mandates are no longer medically necessary.

As a teacher, I, and the significant number of my colleagues who I know cannot work due to the vaccine mandates, would like to return to work. Schools are struggling to find staff despite the fact there are staff willing to work but can't. Our students need a full capacity work force. Schools are not a high risk environment. The infection rate did not play out anywhere near expected modelling levels. Therefore there is no reason to suggest that separating staff due to vaccine status has any affect on case numbers.

Furthermore, I used to work at the school my children attend. I am allowed to be around the kids at drop off and pick up, attend events to spectate my children because I am a parent, but I am not allowed to work or volunteer because I am deemed a risk. The vaccine mandates must go. They are no longer needed or medically necessary.

**I do not support the** further extension of the operation of essential public health measures implemented to facilitate Queensland's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. There is no medical reason to continue these measures. The pandemic is over. Let society self-manage their own risk.

Thank you for your time.

Yours sincerely

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