From: MK JAY

To: <u>Community Support and Services Committee</u>

Subject: An end to the state of emergency **Date:** Friday, 4 March 2022 8:56:00 AM

Dear Committee,

I am writing to object to any extension of the Emergency Bill. It is evident that Omicron has changed the landscape of Covid-19 and the current rates of serious infection and death are negligible and certainly not worthy of emergency status.

I am aware that original Emergency plans were based on data from the Alpha and Delta variants and this is no longer the existing context. Nothing has transpired as projected and hospitals are not overloaded with Covid patients (but still severely understaffed partly because of mandates).

As an unvaccinated person who had Covid and did not put any strain on our health system, I am struggling to understand how I deserve the discrimination being inflicted upon me and my family at this present time. It has had an unprecedented affect upon our lives and we no longer feel welcome or accepted in our own country. This is entirely unwarranted. My job security as a teacher is also hinged upon these emergency laws and I feel unstable and frightened for my future once my current exemption concludes. I struggle to understand – as the world continues to march past Covid – how we are still shackled by discrimination and division. It is so sad and it is all because of this perceived state of emergency, which is entirely overinflated and absurdly damaging to the development of our young people.

Many people now have natural immunity and vaccine immunity. It is time to say that we did what we could and return to a better life. I sincerely hope you listen to the voices of your passionate subjects who only want a better world of tolerance and freedom.

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