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Greetings,

With news of some trying to pass the Extension to the Emergency Bill, I could not sit idly by, so I write to you in hopes my voice may be heard and recognised another of many, many people opposing this proposal. The grounds for continuing this state of emergency are completely unfounded and will have detrimental effects on the population of Queensland the longer these mandates are applied. We've already seen it happen. I have great sympathy for everyone caught in the position of making difficult decisions like this but **I beg you to not let the extension pass.**

In our country that has placed high value on qualities of mateship and having each other's backs, our people are more divided than ever before. An immense amount of trust has been lost between the people and the government which poses a great challenge to the leaders of today, as well as trust between friends, families, workmates, and even strangers on the street. This stems from one of two opposing core beliefs, that everyone must obey the rules that are set in place for our collective good and do what will bring safety to the population (e.g., pro-covid vaccine) or that people must stand up for the rights of the people before the government oversteps so much and has so much influence that they can decide who certain people see and where they are allowed to go that we turn into a dictatorship.

That is the path we are on. We are already watching it happen in Canada, we know it is possible. People are scared - and just like an animal caught in a trap will lash out and act irrationally, people with a sense of helplessness who feel pushed and coerced into acting against their morals and conscience will also respond with aggression and rebellion. This is a natural response to stress, and is something the vaccine mandates in particular are perpetuating. When someone is told they must do something they don't want to do for the basic human right of providing for themselves and their family, they may comply but they will strongly resent the body that posed that ultimatum. Demanding compliance on an ongoing basis, as with the vaccine booster shots, is inevitably going to lead to a breaking point and the fallout will be catastrophic.

The Covid-19 virus has been dictating the lives of the world for two years now, and why? The statistics are very clear, this disease is not worth this appalling overreaction on the government's part. If it was something like the black plague where catching it is near guaranteed death I would understand these measures, but the very opposite is true so it begs the question, why? When one takes an objective look at the data, it is clear that these laws and mandates are not founded on good science, and the extent that these powers have been enforced makes it clear that this is no longer about the health of the people. To make matters worse, the rollout of these vaccines is degrading the health of a significant portion of the population who accept it. Some might say that those who suffer adverse effects of the vaccine are in a minority and so we should dismiss those cases as relatively meaningless because they are exceptions, but the same logic can be applied to the virus itself. Many people get it, but only a few suffer badly or die as a result.

Specifically on the vaccine mandates, there is not nearly enough data to suggest that it is wise to enforce such a procedure on every individual, regardless of health, age, co-morbidities, religion, or life circumstances. When it was first rolled out, it was insisted that it is 100% 'safe and effective' - the staggering statistics of adverse effects would suggest otherwise. We were told that it was impossible for covid to be transmitted by those who

have been vaccinated - also obviously another lie. There are only 3 things that we know for certain about this vaccine. 1, it may reduce the severity of Covid (but as previously stated, a sore throat and 'flu-like symptoms' may be uncomfortable but the vast majority of people recover as they would the common cold), 2, it absolutely does not have any impact on the transmission of Covid within a population, and 3, **we have no idea what the long-term effects of this vaccine will be.** Considering the government is aiming to put it inside 90% of the population, not to mention to many booster shots becoming mandatory, this is concerning!!!

For this reason, I strongly believe the best course of action is to drop the dramatics and urge the government to take action against these mandates. Illness is simply a part of the human condition, there will always be something out there that may make you sick and the solution is not to bubble wrap individuals in a safe space of 1.5 metres and tell them not to invite their loved ones to their wedding because they might catch a cough. This is the height of insanity and it is a disgrace to the values and freedoms of Australia.

Please do not let this extension bill pass. Let people have the freedom to make informed decisions about their health and reap the consequences and benefits of those choices.

This helicopter parenting of the government will only breed more illness and rebellion unless we are allowed to live without threat of fines or job loss for not complying with a medical procedure we do not wish to subject ourselves to. And again, considering the realistic threat of Covid, I find the power being used against people who do not comply to the mandates completely abusive and unfitting to the crime, and I am certainly not the only one who holds that belief.

My name is Nikara Doecke. I am an 18 year old who has been watching this unfold since the beginning, and I have seen the attitudes change from apprehension, to fear, to weariness, to frustration, to anger. People are genuinely hurting because of the decisions being made on this matter, and it's entirely preventable. I beg you to please stop the current state of emergency where it is and save the future of this incredible nation, before it explodes in a horrific and unjustified way.

I am sure this is a message you have heard over and over by now but I hope and pray that expressing my deep concern for the trajectory course of my beloved nation may in some small way impact one heart or mind to stand against this.

Thank you for your consideration,

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