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A Resolution by Navarro County Commissioners Court In Opposition to a Federal Vaccine Mandate

WHERE AS, as stated in the Declaration of Independence of the United States, "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness. – That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed;" and

WHERE AS, the United States of America is a republic founded by a Constitution which establishes a Federal Government limited to certain enumerated powers; and

WHERE AS, Article II of the United States Constitution grants the President no authority to legislate, enact mandates over the affairs of private citizens, or undertake punitive actions against businesses that do not comply with the President's preferences; and

WHERE AS, no law enacted by Congress has ever granted the Executive Branch and its Departments the unlimited and unconstitutional discretion to enforce harsh fines against a broad segment of private businesses in the United States should they fail to compel each employee to undergo a certain medical treatment; and

WHERE AS, the recently proposed Executive Order by President Joe Biden, which directs the Department of Labor to fine every private business in the United States with over 100 employees \$14,000 for every employee who chooses not to receive a COVID-19 vaccination or undergo cost-prohibitive weekly virus testing is a blatantly unconstitutional and un-American decree designed to deprive all Americans who do not consent to this unreasonable burden of the right to earn a livelihood; and

WHERE AS, in the same speech during which he proposed this de-facto national vaccine mandate, President Biden implied further punitive action against the Governors of states which did not enforce these same kinds of mandates against their own citizens; and

WHERE AS, under our constitutional system, states and local governments reserved the right to shield their citizens from federal policies that constitute a questionable violation of their natural and constitutional rights; and

WHERE AS, Navarro County, Texas organized a vaccine center with the help of medical professionals and the State of Texas for voluntary vaccination for those who consented and thought the treatment prudent for themselves; and

WHERE AS, neither the State of Texas, nor the County of Navarro, Texas plan to construe this effort to enforce a vaccine mandate on their citizens, as no constitutional government should ignore the civilized precondition of consent and force medical treatments on individuals under the threat of losing their livelihood;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Commissioners' Court of Navarro County, Texas oppose any vaccine mandates proposed by any government or any government department. We oppose any use of County resources to enforce any government mandates regarding any COVID-19 vaccination or treatment. We demand that the Federal Government withdraw any such proposals, and we request that the State of Texas employ all necessary resources to protect our fellow citizens from federal attempts to harass, bully, or threaten the employment of any Texan who does not wish to undergo a certain medical treatment in this struggle, we affirm that Almighty God is our ultimate protector and authority.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the NAVARRO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT on this the 25th day of October, 2021.

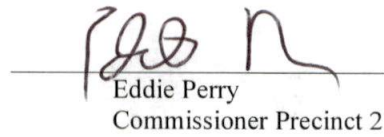




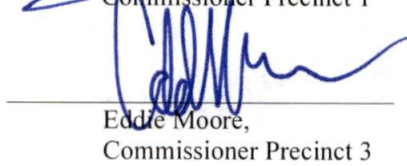
H. M. Davenport, Jr.,
Navarro County Judge



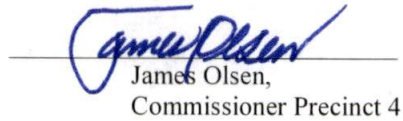
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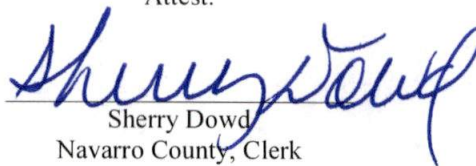


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Attest:



Sherry Dowd
Navarro County, Clerk

