Sarah Kenney Orono

Dear Senator Claxton, Representative Meyer, an esteemed committee members;

My name is Sarah Kenney and I live in Orono. I'm writing in support of LD 867. I'm a mother of 3, my husband is from Maine, and we have a high-tech consulting business that has 8 employees. After attending the University of Maine we moved out of state and 18 years ago decided that this would be the best state to raise our children. As soon as we moved back we made a conscious effort to become very involved in the community.

We feel as though alot has changed in this state and we are very concerned with where things are going. Unfortunately my daughter decided against attending the University of Maine due to their covid vaccine mandates. We have a son that is in high school that understands if there are any covid vaccine requirements to attend school, we will be moving out of state.

We are well educated on the risks of this vaccine. The biggest point of data we have at this point is that prior to the covid vaccine there were approximately 600 cases of myocarditis in the <20 age group in a typical year. Currently the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) has 11,000 cases in those <20. We aren't willing to gamble with our children's health.

I respectfully request that this committee votes Ought to Pass on LD 867.