January 8, 2022

Dear Senator Claxon, Representative Meyer and esteemed committee members,

Please consider this written testimony urging you to vote ought to pass LD 867: An Act to Prohibit Mandatory Covid-19 Vaccinations for 5 years to Allow for Safety Testing and Investigation into Reproductive Harm.

John F. Kennedy said, "...a nation that is afraid to let its people judge the truth and falsehood in an open manner is a nation that is afraid of its people."

LD 867 is a call for Maine to move in the direction of science, transparency, and non-partisan open investigation.

We need time to investigate the safety of COVID – 19 vaccinations.

This is what we are asking you for – just time.

Time to look into *all* the data – the data that supports the safety of the vaccine and the data that raises concerns about the safety of the vaccine.

We don't know until we know. And to know whether the COVID-19 vaccine is safe we need time to investigate, discuss, analyze.

To mandate this vaccine before all the science is considered is not in service to science or a government that leads the way in transparency and open democratic investigation.

Please vote ought to pass LD 867 which would go a long way into restoring so many Mainers trust in our government to see past partisanship into the nonpartisan spirit of what scientific investigation and the democratic process is all about.

Thank you so much for taking the time to consider my testimony.

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