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Senator Claxton, Representative Meyer and members of the Maine Committee on Health and Human Services,

My name is Tom Tammaro. I am here to testify in support of LD 867, An Act To Prohibit Mandatory COVID-19 Vaccinations for 5 Years To Allow for Safety Testing and Investigations into Reproductive Harm.

This bill was submitted by Representative Quint.

Currently, we have not only vaccine interventions but also therapeutic protocols in place for COVID-19. We are all very well aware of the fact that the fatality rate of the disease is under 1% (confirmed by the CDC here

[https://www.cdc.gov/library/covid19/04092021\\_covidupdate.html](https://www.cdc.gov/library/covid19/04092021_covidupdate.html)). I am very happy that these vaccines are available. Many people have benefited from them.

However, long term studies have not been completed. I urge the Legislature to pass LD 867 and encourage the long-term scientific study of this new medicine. As a father of young children it is my job to look out for their safety.

Furthermore, one's own health decisions should be left to the discretion of the individual and their physician. I am against mandating vaccines without personal exemption options.

“It will not be denied that power is of an encroaching nature and that it ought to be effectually restrained from passing the limits assigned to it.” – James Madison, Federalist 48, 1788