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To: <u>Joseph P. Filippi</u>

Subject: Support for Vaccination Mandate

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Dear Mr. Filippi,

I am Jean-Lionel and I'm a concerned student attending UNLV's William S. Boyd School of Law. I'm writing to express my strong support for the proposed amendment to NAC 441A.775 implementing a COVID-19 vaccine requirement for students enrolling in classes at NSHE institutions. In fact, I completed the full sequence of the Pfizer Covid-19 vaccine.

The argument that mandated vaccination for in-person attendance at state universities raises constitutional claims or violates individual constitutional rights is utterly false. The Seventh Circuit affirmed Indiana University's recent implementation of a COVID-19 vaccination policy earlier this month. As stated by the Court, under Jacobson v. Massachusetts (1905), "there can't be a constitutional problem with vaccination against SARS-CoV-2," because there is no fundamental right to refuse necessary public health measures such as vaccines.

The COVID-19 pandemic is a global public health emergency that requires proactive measures to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 on NSHE campuses. The safety and wellbeing of thousands of Nevadans is in your hands and I encourage you to make the correct decision. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully yours,

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