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From: Erin <erinkandoll@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 16, 2020 3:43 PM
To: Assembly
Subject: Support for a local mask mandate

Hello,

I am writing today to voice our families support for a local mask mandate while indoors at our USPS and local business throughout the community. Government officials all the way up to the White house have strongly urged and given citizens and communities across the country multiple chances to wear them on their own good will. While we are grateful many people have started wearing them more consistently, there are still a large number of citizens who refuse to wear them while inside local businesses. Our family can avoid most businesses in town, though that also is troublesome because we want to shop and support our local businesses through these trying times. One place we cannot avoid going is our local and Federal United States Post Office. We no longer even have a drop box outside, and are still facing wait times over 15 minutes indoors to send and receive mail, while waiting with multiple unmasked citizens. We have to collect our federal mail, as well as use the Postal Services, shouldn't we have the right to do that as citizens without putting our health and our loved ones at home at risk?

Businesses can still operate, events can still happen, schools can stay open when things are done with caution and everyone adheres to the Covid 19 safety protocols. This strategy will not work if some of us do and some of us don't. Covid 19 is circulating in our community now, this is the time to take the highest precautions as urged by our Governor in the erecent emergency alert. We have seen the requests for months now from our State government and current administration asking citizens of this country to mask up while indoors, yet some people are not listening or refuse to adhere. The Governor's recent Emergency declaration about these next few weeks being critical for our state, have not seemed to have swayed some citizens.

Please consider the enactment of a local mask mandate to keep our children in school, our teachers and their families safe, our essential workers safe, our medical staff safe, our businesses open, protect our elderly and vulnerable population and most importantly protect all citizens of our wonderful little island community.

Thanks for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Matte & Erin Kandoll