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Good morning,

I am writing about my concern for the mask mandate. As an employer, we are already faced with staff shortages, my employees are wearing a masks for 8 or more hrs. a day, and it is very hard on them. The town has obviously become divided on the issue as to wear one or not to. We have measures in place to keep not only our employees healthy but also the customers. We have plexi glass installed at all registers and frequent sanitizing through out the day. The research I have read says you need to be next to someone for more than 15 minutes to contract the virus, my employees do not have those kind of lengthy interactions with customers and plus there is plexi between them at the check stands. As Essential workers we have been here from the start and have not had to close our doors, we have set up online shopping for customers that do not want to come in the store, I have seen my staff get yelled at on a daily basis about the masks and they should not have to be treated that way. Mask wearing should be a choice not a mandate.

Thank you for your time

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