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Subject:

I support the continuation of the Covid Mask Protections

The use of a face mask or shield is a protection measure necessary to help prevent the spread of the covid 19 virus. While I applaud the efforts being made to vaccinate people in the Petersburg area, the number of persons who have been vaccinated is still low and being vaccinated does not mean a person cannot spread the virus if infected.

Living on an island does not make us immune to the spread of the virus. Fish processing plants in more remote locations have had significant outbreaks. Petersburg still has people flying into our community twice a day and should be expecting a surge in cannery workers and fishermen soon.

The number of people vaccinated enough to make a difference in the protection of a community may not be met until later this summer or by this fall. If anything, better enforcement of the mask protections is needed not less.

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