Township of Fredon RESOLUTION 2021-61 Opposing Mask Mandate in Public Schools

- WHEREAS, Executive Order 251 mandates mask use by staff, student, and visitors at all public, private, and parochial preschool programs and elementary and secondary schools, in the indoor portion of the school district premises; and
- WHEREAS, the Center for Disease Control has stated that fully vaccinated people do not need to wear masks in most settings; and
- WHEREAS, COVID-19 infection and mortality rates for children have shown to be lower than COVID-19 infection and mortality rates for adults; and
- WHEREAS, analysis has shown that staff-to-student and student-to-student infection is not the primary means of transmission among infected children;

and WHEREAS, on July 20, 2021, Fredon Township Committee adheres to the belief that parents should have choice when it comes to the use of masks for their children. However, due to state law, we do not have authority to lift the mask mandate. We encourage our citizens to contact their state elected officials in regard to Executive Order 251.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee, Township of Fredon hereby opposes the State of New Jersey mask mandate. Furthermore, the Township Committee hereby asserts that these issues can be adequately addressed on an individual basis and on a local level and do not require State oversight.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of Resolution adopted by the Fredon Township Committee, in the County of Sussex, at a meeting thereof held August 12, 2021.

Suzanne Boland, RMC Township Clerk