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Dear City councilor,

I read this week that the city council of Saskatoon is meeting to determine if further guidance is needed regarding masks in our city.

I have watched carefully how people in this community has responded to each other over the months during this time of covid-19 awareness and have had the opportunity to compare it to how other communities with mask mandates have been managing. I have noticed that the more mandates are put in place, the more fear rises up in the community. We all understand the value of wearing a mask in places where we need to be in close proximity to strangers. But when this is "mandated", a sense of "entitlement" comes over some people and bullying and aggression towards others seems to rise up.

There are many people with invisible disabilities for whom mask-wearing is very difficult and their risk of getting ill increases. These disabled people now have to face aggression everywhere they go, as many people have an expectation that everyone must comply. They fail to read in by-laws that exemptions may be in place.

Saskatoon has managed very well so far in staying peaceful in this area. I am very concerned that mask mandates will change the atmosphere to one of fear and aggression as people put expectations on others that are unable to wear a mask.

Please take the incredible brave stand of abstaining from mandates. Our people will respond as needed as the virus moves through the population building community immunity. Thank you for seriously considering this.

Malika Sellami

Attachments

The results of this submission may be viewed at: