

The People's Resolution for Health & Freedom - VT

Background:

Development of a vaccine "passport" or "registry" has been discussed by federal and state lawmakers with some states passing legislation to oppose such identification.

The Vermont legislature set up an immunization registry in 1997 under 18 VSA 1129. A bill recently enacted, H.315 which involves the use of Coronavirus Relief Funds links this previously created registry to the VT Health Information Exchange setting up a smooth transition to a vaccine passport if the state decides to implement one.

Two VT bills have been introduced in 2021 to oppose such registries or identification, H.283 and H.452, but have not been taken up. This resolution gives voice to those who would likely oppose such a "passport" or similar identifier which appears to be in direct conflict with 14th amendment of the US Constitution, and raises other privacy concerns.

WHEREAS, Coronavirus vaccines now in use are novel technology where long-term effects are yet unknown, and during the period from Dec. 14, 2020, to May 3, 2021 VAERS received 4,178 reports of deaths among people who received a COVID vaccine given under an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA); and,

WHEREAS, the novel technology vaccines do not confer 100% immunity, but is intended to reduce the severity of the infection as evidenced by over 9,000 "breakthrough" cases; and,

WHEREAS, every citizen who wants a vaccine has the right to obtain one, but no vaccine should be mandated or required by law; and,

WHEREAS, people have the right to refuse vaccination based on religious, medical or personal reasons, as every medical intervention requires informed consent and the right of refusal, including vaccines and treatments, and;

WHEREAS, doctors now have a better understanding of coronavirus infection and effective treatment options for those who become ill with the virus; and,

WHEREAS, some people are not able to be vaccinated or it is not in the best interest of their health to be vaccinated, including those with infection acquired immunity, a vaccine passport discriminates against those individuals; and,

WHEREAS, it is both illegal and unethical to require or mandate novel genetic/PCR testing and/or novel genetic vaccines, since neither are FDA approved and are only available under an Emergency Use Authorization; and,

WHEREAS, COVID-19 RT-PCR tests are prone to false positive results especially in asymptomatic persons, and positive results are not meant to indicate active infection; testing should never be conducted without a person's fully informed consent (which requires disclosure, understanding, and free choice), therefore test results should not be required for proof of entry or as part of a "passport" program; and,

WHEREAS, individual vaccination and medical testing records are private health information under HIPAA, and should not be required by any government mandate or by any business operating places of public accommodation; and,

WHEREAS, requiring vaccine passports for taking part in everyday life-such as attending a sporting event or a school, patronizing a restaurant, or going to a movie theater would create two classes of citizens based on vaccination status where some people will have rights and others will lose their freedom; and,

WHEREAS, widespread adoption of vaccine passports by businesses on an allegedly voluntary basis will unduly and unnecessarily restrict the freedom of Americans; harm patient privacy; and have a negative financial impact on individuals of color and other marginalized communities; and,

WHEREAS, discriminating between citizens in their enjoyment of any privileges or immunities, or any fundamental rights, is justifiable only where the government establishes a compelling governmental justification for its actions, and the factual and legal justifications for a COVID passport do not meet that standard, and are unduly restrictive and burdensome on large numbers of Vermonters, especially children; and,

WHEREAS, *a vaccine registry already exists in Vermont* it is necessary to oppose a vaccine passport system to protect the constitutional rights and privacy of Vermonters to make their own health care choices, including those rights under the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, and move freely within society, and provide for the free flow of commerce within the state, and with other states; and,

NOW, THEREFORE be it RESOLVED that WE, the [undersigned businesses and individuals], oppose any government entity or its subdivisions, agents, or assigns, issuing vaccine passports, vaccine passes, other documentation regarding vaccine status in any form, or issuing legislation, for the purpose of certifying an individual's vaccination status to a third party, or otherwise publish or share any individual's vaccination record or similar health information, or require such identification for access to any government service, including education.

AND, FURTHER RESOLVED that WE also oppose businesses in Vermont from requiring patrons or customers to provide any documentation relating to vaccine status to be employed by, gain access to, upon entry to, or to receive service from a business, including but not restricted to education, or travel by air, train, water, or rental car.

References:

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