To Whom it May Concern.

I am writing this note on behalf of the community of faith, regarding the potential forced vaccine scenario that is before us in the bill known as H3999. As a faith community we are of the belief that this bill would not only encroach upon our religious liberties, but that it would endanger our civil liberties and our children's well being. As a community of faith, we are commanded by the Lord to protect our children from all harm and offense; If we don't then the judgment of the Lord will come upon us. For the Christian, the New Testament says in the book of

Mathew 18:5-6:

"And whoever receives one such child in My name receives Me; but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to stumble, it would be better for him to have a heavy millstone hung around his neck, and to be drowned in the depth of the sea."

That is a heavy price to pay for not protecting our children. The ingredients in many vaccines in any dose are harmful and in most cases lethal for kids especially. Other ingredients are in direct conflict with our Biblical and religious convictions.

For example, the vaccine manufactures do engage in the use of aborted fetal cells in the manufacturing of their products. Found in these vaccines are:Formaldehyde; Aluminum; Polysorbate 80, which is a surfactant and disrupts the blood brain barrier; there is also Thimerosal. which is a form of mercury and is known to be one of the most toxic elements to man. Most flu vaccines use a pork-based gelatin as a stabilizer as well. On the package insert it is stated that the flu vaccine has **never been proven** to be safe for a pregnant woman or nursing mothers. Other toxins are also found in these vaccines or used in the production of other vaccines promoted by these pharmaceutical companies. I could go on, but I am not trying to write a book.

The Scriptures which are the basis of our life and faith are very clear in how we should be handling blood for example, and I quote...

Leviticus 17:10-15

"And any man from the house of Israel, or from the aliens who sojourn among them, who eats any blood, I will set My face against that person who eats blood and will cut him off from among his people. For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it to you on the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it is the blood by reason of the life that makes atonement. Therefore, I said to the sons of Israel, 'No person among you may eat blood, nor may any alien who sojourns among you eat blood. 'So, when any man from the sons of Israel, or from the aliens who sojourn among them, in hunting catches a beast or a bird which may be eaten, he shall pour out its blood and cover it with earth.' For as for the life of all flesh, its bloodis identified with its life. Therefore, I said to the sons of Israel, 'You are not to eat the blood of any flesh, for the life of all flesh is its blood; whoever eats it shall be cut off.'"

The Scripturesemphatically state that we are not allowed in any way shape or form to consume or treat blood in a way that defiles it. So why would we want to inject toxins into our blood stream that defile the blood, i.e., anything that comes from a pig or the cells from aborted babies.

Leviticus 11:1-8

The LORD spoke again to Moses and to Aaron, saying to them, "Speak to the sons of Israel, saying, 'These are the creatures which you may eat from all the animals that are on the earth. Whatever divides a hoof, thus making split hoofs, and chews the cud, among the animals, that you may eat. Nevertheless, you are not to eat of these, among those which chew the cud, or among those which divide the hoof: the camel, for though it chews cud, it does not divide the hoof, it is unclean to you. Likewise, the shaphan, for though it chews cud, it does not divide the hoof, it is unclean to you; the rabbit also, for though it chews cud, it does not divide the hoof, it is unclean to you; and the pig, for though it divides the hoof, thus making a split hoof, it does not chew cud, it is unclean to you. You shall not eat of their flesh nor touch their carcasses; they are unclean to you.

In both Scripture passages we are not allowed to consume blood or pork. We are not even allowed to touch their dead carcasses.

Deuteronomy 14:3 "You shall not eat any detestable thing.

These ingredients are detestable to the Lord; therefore, they are detestable to us and in the strongest possible terms violate our religious liberties.

1st Corinthian 6-19-20 it states:

"Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you have been bought with a price; therefore, glorify God in your body."

Our bodies are a gift from God; we are commanded to consider it a temple of the Lord. Because we believe injecting these toxins into our bodies is a defilement, we are opposed to this being forced upon us by a governmental agency.

The first 16 words of the First Amendment have two protections for religion. The prohibition on an **establishment** of religion keeps the government from advancing or privileging religion. The protection of **free exercise** keeps the government from unnecessarily interfering with our religious practice.

If you force our children to take these or any other vaccines for the purpose ofreceiving an education or entering into public places, you have trampled on our religious liberties in the most egregious manner.

In WW2 the Jehovah Witnesses were exempt from fighting because of their religious convictions; they were considered conscientious objectors and pacifists. Ministers were exempted as were divinity students.

Here is a partial list of those who are considered pacifists and exempt from service in the time of war.

- Moravians (one of the very first Protestant religions dating back to the 1500's)
- Brethren (Dunkards) groups, including
 - o Church of the Brethren
- Anabaptist groups, including
 - Mennonites (16th century group numbering 1.5 million)

- Hutterites
- Schwenkfelders
- o Bruderhof Communities
- Amish (numbering approximately 200,000)
- Society of Friends (Quakers)
- Doukhobors 17th century breakaway from Russian Orthodox
- Molokans 17th century breakaway from Russian Orthodox
- o Some Pentecostal groups, such as the Pentecostal Charismatic Peace Fellowship
- Seven Day Adventists
- Community of Christ
- Christadelphians
- Worldwide Church of God
- o Pax Christi A Catholic peace movement
- Fellowship of Reconciliation A group formed in 1914 to unite pacifists regardless of denomination. All major religious denominations have affiliated associations including
 - o Anglican Pacifist Fellowship
 - Methodist Peace Fellowship
 - o Baptist Peace Fellowship
 - Orthodox Peace Fellowship
 - Lutheran Peace Fellowship
 - Presbyterian Peace Fellowship

There is a definite precedent set in our country's history in regards to religious liberties being honored, even in times of war. Why then would those same liberties be totally ignored when it comes to the matter of vaccines, which are far from the emergency scenario that is posed to our country in times of war?

I would implore you to consider what I have written very seriously. We are not trying to dictate to others what they should do, but neither do we expect others to behave in like manner.

This idea of the protection of our religious liberties is one of the most sacred rights we have inthis, our great nation. Even the Apostle Paul when confronted by the loss of his rights under the Roman government appealed to Caesar on behalf of protecting those rights

Act 25:11

"If, then, I am a wrongdoer and have committed anything worthy of death, I do not refuse to die; but if none of those things is true, of which these men accuse me, no one can hand me over to them. I appeal to Caesar."

So, in the same spirit we appeal to our government on behalf of our religious rights. Do not take from us something that is sacred in its very nature.

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