LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Fauci speaks truth; Ladapo spreads untruth

I had the pleasure of attending the talk by Dr. Anthony Fauci, the former director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases. He spoke as part of the Ringling College Town Hall Speaker Series on April 14 in Sarasota.

This man is responsible for saving millions of lives during his 50 years of public health and research. He is credited with contributing to breakthroughs in the treatment of HIV/AIDS, SARS-2, bird flu, Ebola and COVID-19.

During his tenure, Fauci worked for seven presidents, including Donald Trump. He deserves to win a Nobel Prize.

During his talk, Dr. Fauci noted that medical disinformation is rampant.

On the same day, Dr. Joseph Ladapo, the Florida surgeon general, spoke at a demonstration against Fauci and the COVID-19 vaccine. Ladapo spreads dangerous false information, including anti-vaccine ideas.

Fauci noted that scientific findings, especially with the recent pandemics, are not a one-and-done process. Knowledge evolves when a new disease presents itself. Too many people want certainty and answers right away.

With respect to the mRNA COVID-19 vaccine, he noted that it is very safe. Also, the measles vaccine is safe and does not cause autism.

In the end, we should thank Dr. Fauci for his work