

CITIZEN COMMENTS (EMAILED, NOT READ INTO RECORD)
11.23.2020 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

From: bill mosley <bemosley@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 4:21 PM

To: Tommy Scott <tscott@bedfordcountyva.gov>; John Sharp <jsharp@bedfordcountyva.gov>; Edgar Tuck <etuck@bedfordcountyva.gov>; Mickey Johnson <mjohnson@bedfordcountyva.gov>; Charla Bansley <cbansley@bedfordcountyva.gov>; Bob Davis <bdavis@bedfordcountyva.gov>; Tammy Parker <tparker@bedfordcountyva.gov>; Commonwealth Attorney <CommonwealthAttorney@bedfordcountyva.gov>; Robert Hiss <rhiss@bedfordcountyva.gov>; Brigitte Lockett <b.lockett@bedfordcountyva.gov>

Subject: "No Shutdown" resolution

Thank you, Board of Supervisors and County Officials for the opportunity to comment on a resolution to be proposed at tonight's meeting, Nov. 23, 2020. My name is Bill Mosley and I reside at 618 Westview Ave. where my now-deceased wife Elizabeth Berry-Mosley and I raised our 3 children over the course of the past 30 years. Elizabeth also served as Bedford Main Street Director, and later oversaw Economic Development for the City/Town of Bedford. We also owned and operated Bedford Hardware until 2015, and I am the General Manager of Proprietors Group of Bedford, which, since 1993, has renovated and managed numerous historic residential and commercial properties in Bedford.

It is my understanding that one Isaiah Knight, representing a group called Virginia Conservatives, intends to introduce a resolution this evening called "No Shutdown", which would *"ORDER its Sheriff to arrest any State Police officer, State Health Agent, or Federal Agent, attempting enforce the unconstitutional order of the Governor , especially as relates to gatherings of more than 25 people.* This resolution further refers to Governor Northam as "radical", "king" and generally as a tyrant.

I frankly have no idea whether such a resolution would hold up in a court of law, although I seriously doubt it. What I do know, though, is that Bedford County has, thankfully, spent millions of our tax dollars over the years promoting Tourism and Economic Development. This investment has come back to us many times over...in fact, as I'm sure you know, Bedford was just named as Blue Ridge Outdoor Magazine's Top Adventure Town in its size category from among towns throughout the Southeast. Do you really believe that tourists and businesses thinking of relocating here will be impressed to learn that the County's leaders have passed a resolution labeling Virginia's governor a tyrant, because he has taken measures to slow the pandemic which daily gains strength and claims more victims in our area? Resolutions supporting militias and "No Shutdowns" in no way enhance either our tourism or our economic development efforts, but instead give a black mark to the County in the eyes of the vast majority of the people with money that we want to entice to come here, either to visit or to live.

Please just say no to this divisive, contrarian and anti-public welfare resolution so that it doesn't undo some of the great progress Bedford County has recently made.

Thank you for your attention.

Bill Mosley

From: webmaster@bedfordcountyva.gov <webmaster@bedfordcountyva.gov> on behalf of Bedford County, VA <webmaster@bedfordcountyva.gov>

Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 4:20 PM

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To: Carleshia Thornton

Subject: Feedback for County of Bedford, Virginia

You have received this feedback from Pam Neisch < Pneisch@aol.com > for the following page:

<https://www.bedfordcountyva.gov/boards-commissions/board-of-supervisors/agendas-minutes-resolution>

I urge you to pass the resolution tonight to keep Bedford open and not obliging to Richmond!

From: casencobypieterman@verizon.net <casencobypieterman@verizon.net>

Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 4:40 PM

To: Brigitte Lockett <b.lockett@bedfordcountyva.gov>

Subject: Bedford Board of Supervisors Meeting 11/23 Citizens comment

Good evening,

My name is Case Pieterman of 1256 Wind Dancer Place, Thaxton, VA 24174 and we have lived in Bedford County for close to 30 years .

I'm here to ask you to disregard any resolution that may come before you tonight from citizen Isaiah Knight concerning the Virginia Governor's measures dealing with keeping the Covid19 pandemic in check in Virginia.

Wearing a mask, keeping the suggested social distancing and limiting large crowds have everything to do with respect for our fellow citizens, keeping the number of infections as low as possible and don't overcrowd the area hospitals. Mr. Knight at his age may feel invincible, but my wife and I are of an age in a different category and we're in no hurry to wind up in the Obituaries any time soon. Bedford cases have been increasing substantially lately.

I credit each one of you with the good sense to protect the Bedford Citizens and not adopt any resolution that put citizens in danger.

Thank you

Case Pieterman

From: Cheryl Evans <grannycheryl3@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 11:26 AM

To: Brigitte Lockett <b.lockett@bedfordcountyva.gov>

Subject:

Please convey to the Board my most adamant opposition to a proposal by Isaiah Knight's group to encourage the local sheriff to arrest any state troopers or National Guardsmen who answer to the Governor's orders. Nothing good can come from pitting law enforcement against law enforcement. Furthermore, it is my opinion that such action amounts to insurrection and has no basis in legality. Do the members truly want to risk doing something so egregious as to promote violence in our county? Did they not take an oath to defend and protect the citizens, as well as the Constitution, which, by the way, is not their job to interpret?

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Thank you,
Cheryl Evans
Big Island

From: Cindy M. <cindyross2@me.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 9:49 AM
To: Brigitte Lockett <b.lockett@bedfordcountyva.gov>
Subject: Comments for Board Meeting

I am horrified that a proposal would make it to the Bedford board that suggests a local sheriff might be given power to arrest Virginia State Troopers for upholding a directive given by Governor Northam. Virginia has enjoyed overall lower rates of COVID-19 and impact as a result of the pandemic because of the actions of Governor Northam. The shutdown is inconvenient on everyone but it is helping to save the lives of my 90 year old mother in Bedford, my 72 year old sister in Bedford and me, a 68 year old who is visiting Bedford regularly to perform the fiduciary duties as an executor.

Why this would even be a consideration baffles anyone with basic knowledge of the virus. The spread as a result of not shutting down has far greater negative impact as it devastates families financially with medical expenses and overwhelms hospitals. A shutdown has nothing to do with anyone personally and to suggest it infringes on anyone's "rights" is absurd. Citizens are restricted daily as a result of living together in a society where all must adhere to rules and laws that protect the group at large. Where is the opposition to driving drunk? Shopping naked, urinating in public, defecating in public, or requiring restaurant workers to wash hands? ALL restrictions but ALL designed to protect the group.

Drop this nonsense and get to the job of governing Bedford with compassion for all and remember that every law, ordinance and directive will "offend" someone, restrict someone but those who choose to live in society must obey or leave and find a place to live alone where they can risk themselves and not others.

Cynthia Martin

From: Dave Weigand <dave.weigand@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 10:40 AM
To: Brigitte Lockett <b.lockett@bedfordcountyva.gov>
Subject: My comments for Board of Supervisors Meeting for November 23, 2020

Dear Ms. Lockett,

As a Bedford County resident of thirty-one years and a concerned citizen, please read aloud my name into the record with the following statements, "I (Dave Weigand of Lake Vista in Forest) oppose any resolution by Supervisor Davis that attempts to distance Bedford County from the safety and well-being Executive Orders enacted by Governor Northam. The COVID pandemic is too serious to play right-wing politics with right now as the US death count has exceeded 255,000. I also oppose any proposal suggested by community agitator, Isaiah Knight, that would attempt to (in Knight's words) 'nullify' Northam. Taking Knight's positions as stated on his on social media, his ideas, to be kind, are

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preposterous, ill-advised and an illegal act of sedition that should be swatted down upon first discussion and not be given even one iota of oxygen to further divide our county". Thank you - Dave Weigand

facts matter.

Dave Weigand

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Phone: 434-385-9472

From: Debra Serio <seriodebra@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 10:05 AM
To: Brigitte Lockett <b.lockett@bedfordcountyva.gov>
Subject: Comments for tonight's board meeting

Please **do not** vote yay for the resolution to defy the governor's orders of assembly. Our positivity rate is at the highest it has been since this pandemic started.

I am an employee of Bedford County Public Schools. We have been working extremely hard to keep our children safe and we are proud of the work we have done. We want to remain open. Kids need us. If the rates spike, and students and staff get sick, we will have to shut down. If we allow people to congregate in large numbers, what has happened in many different parts of the country will happen here. Numbers will climb and our hospitals will be overwhelmed. Currently in Bedford 69 people are hospitalized. When will we weigh people's lives over partisan politics?

PLEASE think of the long-term consequences of allowing large gatherings. We will lose the ability for in-person school, worship...anything. You have an obligation to protect the people you serve. Do not allow personal politics to trump common sense.

No rights are violated when the government takes care of its people. Keep Bedford County safe. This is NOT a partisan issue. This is a safety issue.

Debra Serio
1082 Running Cedar Circle Forest VA

From: Donna StClair <donnastclair@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 11:12 AM
To: Brigitte Lockett <b.lockett@bedfordcountyva.gov>
Subject: My remarks to be read for tonight's record

Dear Brigitte--

Thank you for this opportunity to "address" the Board for the record of its Nov. 23, 2020 meeting:

My name is Donna StClair. I am a 24-year resident of Bedford County, and I reside at 630 Lake Vista Dr., Forest VA 24551.

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It is my understanding that Isaiah Knight, representing the group called Virginia Conservatives, intends to propose a "No Shutdown" resolution, which would, among other things, give Bedford County law enforcement authority over state officials attempting to enact directives from our governor. He presented this same proposal last week to Appomattox Board of Supervisors--who received it with general support, while acknowledging some tweaks to be made. It is planned for Campbell County as well, and similar to the illegal militia initiative, is likely to make its way across the state's rural counties.

The very consideration of treason like this--the very fact that these words could even find paper-- is horrifying. Here we are, in the midst of a global pandemic, and people want to usurp elected authority, the Code of Virginia, and our Virginia Constitution?

Our Bedford illegal militia, officially recognized by this body, has been allowed to promote hate-speech against Gov. Northam to the point that he was included on the kidnap hit-list in Michigan. He is consistently referred to as a "tyrant." Illegal militia members in neighboring Campbell County, now featured in a CBS special, are quoted as saying that their purpose is to "shoot tyrants in the face." And now this? What's next? Are members of our illegal militia to be allowed to assist with tarring and feathering of our state troopers?

Sadly, Mr. Knight must have thought he had some support in this body. Indeed, he said as much last week to a WSET reporter.

Who among you wants any hope for Bedford County tourism and economic development to crash and burn, with our whole area viewed as a bunch of insurrectionist lunatics? Who among you has no regard for our health-- our very lives? Who among you supports this TREASON and SEDITION?

Wake up! Our property values, our lives, and our future democracy depend on your maintaining sanity in the face of masses who are encouraging you towards open rebellion. I'm hoping that you can hold the line.

Sincerely,
--Donna StClair

Donna StClair
630 Lake Vista Dr., Forest VA 24551
434-665-0582

From: Duane Zimmerman <duane.revolutionary@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 1:43 PM
To: Brigitte Lockett <b.lockett@bedfordcountyva.gov>
Subject: Today's resolution

As a resident of district 7, I wanted to reach out to you in support of the resolution being proposed by Isaiah Knight and the Constitutional Conservatives this evening. The Governor has overreached his authority under the VA Constitution and has done so for quite some time now completely unchecked. Shutting down did not work the first time, and it won't work now. Despite wearing masks, people still get sick not just with covid 19, but other illnesses as well, some because of the masks. "We the people"

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stand in unity against governor Northam. He must follow the law just like the rest of us. He is not special. The financial and social impacts to our community and our citizens caused by Northam's mandates will be far more dangerous on a longer timeline. Many businesses and individuals are already in financial ruins. Bedford County voted in this last election over 85% republican, it is clear that "we the people" of Bedford County will not stand for any more of the governors shenanigans. I petition you to support this resolution.

Sic semper tyrannis
Elwyn Zim

From: Eaton, Greg <eaton@lynchburg.edu>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 9:53 AM
To: Brigitte Lockett <b.lockett@bedfordcountyva.gov>
Subject: Opposing "No Shutdown" resolution

Dear Ms Lockett,

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the "No Shutdown" resolution being introduced tonight at the Board of Supervisors' meeting by Isaiah Knight. This resolution is illegal. It violates the Code of Virginia sections: § 18.2-481 against treason, and § 18.2-484 against Sedition. Furthermore, the language of this resolution is purposefully incendiary, and designed to intimidate lawfully elected officials of the Commonwealth of VA, AND, even our dutiful public servants in the VA State Police. Bedford County Board of Supervisors and the Bedford County Sheriff's Department are already on record threatening the Commonwealth of VA with violence if the Commonwealth were to attempt to enforce certain state laws in the County. Please, these are not appropriate tactics in a civil society. Much better to resolve Bedford County Government to inform county citizens of the legal, proper, and civil mechanisms of protest at their disposal. These are various by-right mechanisms of free speech covered in the 1st Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, and of course the right of private ballot in democratic elections. Please, let us consider tactics of conciliation, compromise, and reasonable discourse, as these are the tactics proven to win support in the civic and political arenas.

Sincerely,

Greg Eaton
202 Sheffey Dr.
Forest, VA

From: Edrie Bays <edrie.bays@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 2:39 PM
To: Brigitte Lockett <b.lockett@bedfordcountyva.gov>
Subject: Citizen input about Izzy Knight's No Shutdown Resolution for meeting tonight 11/23/2020

United States of America: States, plural; United, together as one. Partisan politics has created a breach in this beautiful democratic concept.

One nation under God is a concept for which many have fought and died under the one flag of this nation. Little rural Bedford County became recognized as a place that sacrificed its young men on D-Day

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fighting for freedom. One of the proud claims of Bedford County is to be the location of the D-Day Memorial, a recognition that has served Bedford well in reputation and economics.

One of those hard-earned freedoms is voting to elect people to represent US all in all levels of government. Our freedom is to vote, to have a say; even though we may not always like the outcome, we cherish the process and abide by it. When a duly-elected governor, who also is a medical doctor, is called upon to make executive decisions to protect the health and well-being of the citizens of a state, those decisions (based on the ever-expanding knowledge as well as the confounding mysteries of the new virus Covid-19) are not tyrannical, nor are they political.

I live in a country known for its freedoms, not for anarchy. Total freedom to do whatever you want, whenever you want, to whomever you want is anarchy. My rights end where another's begin.

For examples, I have the freedom to worship how I please; I do not have the right to intimidate or harass those who do not believe as I do. I have the freedom to bear arms; I do not have the right to use them unlawfully nor use them to intimidate others.

I do not enjoy wearing a mask, but experiments, such as those conducted at Virginia Tech, have shown they PROTECT OTHERS from the virus and may protect me. I do not consider wearing a mask in this case an infringement on my freedom. In fact, those who refuse to wear masks are infringing on my right to run necessary errands without having my health endangered by those people who apparently think it is their right to risk spreading a highly infectious and potentially deadly contagion.

I love my family and friends. I miss them terribly. But I love them too much to endanger them. The medical researchers still don't have answers as to why some people have mild Covid-19 cases; others without risk factors end up in hospital and on ventilators and/or in the morgue. I am not willing to roll the dice and play the fool. I will not gather with them this year. That is NOT an infringement of my rights.

We Bedford County citizens inherited the reputation of patriots by virtue of the blood of our fallen sons. Don't tarnish that reputation by yielding to anarchy and encouraging sedition. And if morality, decency, Constitutional and religious principles not to mention, the true meaning of law and order have no sway here, think of the loss in reputation, tourism and economic development.

From: ELLEN DEANE <esdeane@msn.com>

Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 3:00 PM

To: Brigitte Lockett <b.lockett@bedfordcountyva.gov>

Subject: Bedford County Board of Supervisors meeting 11-23-2020

Dear Ms. Plunkett,

I wish to submit the following statement to be read into the record at tonight's Bedford County Board of Supervisors meeting.

Thank you in advance.

I wish to address this board for the record at your meeting on November 23, 2020.

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My name is Ellen Deane. My address is 1308 Simpkins Lake Road, Bedford, VA. I have resided in Bedford County for 25 years. For fourteen years prior to moving here, and for years after that, I was a teacher for the Bedford County Public Schools.

I am not with you this evening because I am trying to be a responsible and respectful citizen and not subject myself, and therefore others, to the possibility of contracting Covid-19 from those in attendance who have not been being cautious.

It is my understanding that you are going to be asked to pass a "No Shutdown Resolution" this evening.

I would like to believe that none of you would support something that is a dangerous and illegal proposal that violates sections in the Code of Virginia against treason and sedition. But, since you have already recognized an illegal militia in this county, I feel a need to appeal to you.

I can't imagine that you would authorize our Sheriff to arrest anyone in authority attempting to enforce our Governor's directives.

Defying Governor Northam's directives and mandates regarding Covid-19 shows a clear disregard for our health during this global pandemic that is growing worse not only nationwide, but also here at home.

Perhaps some of you live in a world where you know no one who has suffered serious symptoms or has died from this disease. Maybe that's why some in this room tonight don't take the mandates seriously. I don't live in that world. I have experienced the grief and concern that comes from this deadly disease. I don't want any others in our community to have those experiences.

I ask that you vote no for this resolution and send a decisive message that you will not further violate the Code of Virginia by endorsing it.

Thank you in advance for helping to make our community safer not more dangerous.

Ellen Deane

From: Karen Nuzzo <karenrnuzzo@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 2:52 PM

To: Brigitte Lockett <b.lockett@bedfordcountyva.gov>

Cc: Donna St. Clair <donnastclair@gmail.com>

Subject: Remarks for the Board of Supervisor's Meeting 11/23/2020

Dear Brigitte-- Here are my remarks for the Board of Supervisor's meeting . Thank you for reading them aloud on my behalf.

Good Evening:

Thank you for this opportunity to "address" the Board for the record on its Nov. 23, 2020 meeting:

My name is Karen R. Nuzzo. My husband and I have lived and worked in Bedford County for 40 years and have raised our family here. My address is 1314 Coltons Mill Rd, Bedford, VA 24523.

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It has come to my attention that Isaiah Knight, representing the group called Virginia Conservatives, intends to propose a "No Shutdown" resolution, which would, among other things, give Bedford County law enforcement authority over state officials attempting to enact directives from our governor. This resolution was presented last week to the Appomattox Board of Supervisors--who received it with general support, while acknowledging some tweaks needed to be made. I was under the impression that Mr. Knight serves as an elected official as one of Bedford County's Soil and Water Conservation Director (Peaks of Otter District.) Perhaps he recalls the oath he swore to uphold the Constitution of the United States, as well as that of the Commonwealth of Virginia. The suggestion of sedition and treason presented by Mr. Knight is a direct contradiction to that oath. I hope that you dismiss it as such.

Our Governor has mandated that the citizens of this Commonwealth wear a mask as our civic duty to protect the lives of our citizens and to slow the spread of Covid-19. Covid-19 is killing an American at the rate of one per minute as of this week. As a nation, we are predicted to surpass 410,000 deaths by January 1st. There will be many empty seats at the Thanksgiving table this year, and many more at Christmas if citizens do not choose to distances from their loved ones on Thanksgiving Day. I hope as leaders of this community which values family, sacrifice and Christian values you will lead our community in advocating for universal mask wearing, social distancing and good hand hygiene and a small Thanksgiving celebration, so that as a community we can stem the rise of Covid infection cases and deaths.

Bedford County holds promise of a bright future if we can pull together and get through this health challenge. Please lead away from the ridiculous path suggested by Mr. Knight and toward the reasonable path of health proposed by Governor Northam and his team of medical counselors.

Wishing you all good health and a Happy Thanksgiving,

Karen Nuzzo

From: Lyn Coppedge <lyn.coppedge@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 4:05 PM
To: Brigitte Lockett <b.lockett@bedfordcountyva.gov>
Subject: Presentation to Board of Supervisors Meeting Nov 23

Please read the following presentation to the Board of Supervisors as a part of public comment at tonight's meeting.

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen Supervisors:

Tonight you are being asked to accept and approve a resolution intended to countermand Governor Northam's guidelines intended to combat the spread of the Coronavirus among us. In the strongest manner possible I urge you to reject the afore-said resolution in its entirety. Our county is a contiguous part of the whole Commonwealth of Virginia and subject to all rules, regulations and mandates put forth by our General Assembly and by our Governor. We are not and cannot be or act independently of the rest of our Commonwealth. You, as supervisors of our county have been charged by those who elected you to see to the welfare of the people in your respective districts and together, the County of Bedford as a whole. You will be doing just that by rejecting the Resolution coming before you this evening that would have you violate your role and put the people of the county you serve at risk.

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Thank you for hearing my concerns. May God bless you all as you seek to supervise our community's affairs.

Sincerely,

Gary Lyn Coppedge
District 6

From: Marie Klimchuk <cobbsmtfarm@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 4:59 PM
To: Brigitte Lockett <b.lockett@bedfordcountyva.gov>
Subject: No Shut Down Proposal

I would like to voice my strong opposition to the "No Shut Down" proposal promoted by the Virginia Constitutional Conservatives. This proposal blatantly violates Virginia law, Code 18.2-484, and Code 18.2-481. Furthermore, it undermines the cooperation between local and state law enforcement agencies in the Commonwealth. How can the citizens of any state feel safe when county officials are actively working to undermine the laws set by state officials? It is especially egregious that this dangerous proposal was in response to public health and safety mandates in the middle of a pandemic! I am frankly appalled that the Board of Supervisors would consider this action under any circumstances, much less during a public health emergency.

I have been a Bedford County resident, property, and business owner for over thirty years and this is the first time I have ever questioned my choice of location for my home and business.



Marie Klimchuk
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From: Michael Kunkle <mr.kunkle@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 10:57 AM
To: Brigitte Lockett <b.lockett@bedfordcountyva.gov>
Subject: SUPPORT No Shutdown Resolution

Brigitte Lockett,
Please read this out loud at tonight's Bedford board of supervisors meeting.

As a current resident of the county of Bedford, I am requesting the Bedford County Board of Supervisors to support and approve Issiah Knight's No Shutdown resolution. As you are all aware of, Bedford county has a overwhelming majority of conservative voters residing in this county that significantly out number

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the liberal activists. We conservatives strongly request you protect our county and 1st amendment rights. If anyone is worried about Northam's retaliation, rest assured that there are hundreds if not thousands of good people in Bedford ready to stand against Northam by your side. Let's stand together and show the Democrats controlling Richmond that south western Virginia is the land of free men and women.

If any board members are not ready to put it all on the line to stand up for conservative morals, I respectfully ask you step down. Bedford county is a close community and conservatives willing to resist tyrannical laws is who will be voted into office in future elections.

Support the No Shutdown Resolution!

- Mike

Bedford County resident

From: Ron Murphy <irishsteel2009@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 11:24 AM
To: Public Hearing <publichearing@bedfordcountyva.gov>
Subject: Citizen Comment Regarding Proposed Resolution

Good Morning,

As a resident of district 5, I wanted to reach out to you in support of the resolution being proposed by Isaiah Knight and the Constitutional Conservatives this evening. I agree completely that the Governor has overreached his authority under the VA Constitution and usurped power that rightly belongs with the legislature. This despite shaky evidence of the efficacy of face masks and shutdowns. We need to stand up against this creeping tyranny and force the governor to follow the law and allow the legislature to determine the response. The financial and social impacts to our community and our citizens caused by Northam's decrees are far more dangerous. Please support this resolution.

Thank you,

Ron Murphy

434-221-9440

From: connie dinwiddie <dinwiddielc@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 8:21 AM
To: Public Hearing <publichearing@bedfordcountyva.gov>
Subject: COVID-19

If I understood the news correctly this morning, the board is going too discussion the Governor's mandate. Please continue to do what ever it takes to keep county residents safe. I don't like it but I follow the mandate.. I would rather sacrifice some freedom for a while than die alone with Covid 19.
Connie Dinwiddie

From: Rob & Keri Weikel <blackhorseelectrical@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 11:08 AM

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To: Brigitte Lockett <b.lockett@bedfordcountyva.gov>

Subject: Izzy Knight's Resolution

Mrs. Lockett,

I am writing to you in support of any resolution that curtails governor Northam's unconstitutional actions. And individuals rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness cannot be put on pause because our governor has made a choice to greatly exaggerate the impact of COVID-19. The successes of this entire country as well as this state are rooted in rugged individualism. The individual has the right and responsibility to take whatever measures they deem necessary to protect themselves from a virus or any other threat for that matter but the false security of a few should not take priority over the liberties of everyone else. I implore the Bedford county board of supervisors to uphold their oath to the Constitution and always side with liberty and justice for all.

Thank you,
Rob Weikel
Montvale, VA
Sent from my iPhone

From: Rod Browne <rodbrow12@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 2:24 PM
To: Brigitte Lockett <b.lockett@bedfordcountyva.gov>
Subject: Izzy Knight's Resolution

I don't understand why so many residents are getting so upset over this ludicrous resolution. Sheriff Miller seems like an intelligent individual who understands a 'chain of command'. County sheriff's do not have jurisdiction over state police just like state police can't arrest the national guard while doing their duty. I'm embarrassed that such a resolution would make it to the floor. Having served this country in uniform I can't believe there are those who would try and drag this country down to third world status with different groups making up their own rules. R. C. Browne

From: Ron Murphy <irishsteel2009@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 11:39 AM
To: Brigitte Lockett <b.lockett@bedfordcountyva.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Citizen Comment Regarding Proposed Resolution

Good Morning,

As a resident of district 5, I wanted to reach out to you in support of the resolution being proposed by Isaiah Knight and the Constitutional Conservatives this evening. I agree completely that the Governor has overreached his authority under the VA Constitution and usurped power that rightly belongs with the legislature. This despite shaky evidence of the efficacy of face masks and shutdowns. We need to stand up against this creeping tyranny and force the governor to follow the law and allow the legislature to determine the response. The financial and social impacts to our community and our citizens caused by Northam's decrees are far more dangerous. Please support this resolution.

Thank you,

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Ron Murphy
434-221-9440

PS. please read this comment into the record.

From: Roni Sutton <ronibluebrickbuilding@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 9:23 AM
To: Brigitte Lockett <b.lockett@bedfordcountyva.gov>
Subject: No Shut Down Resolution

Dear Ms. Lockett,

Please read the following comment into the record at this evening's Board of Supervisors meeting.

Mr. Knight's proposed resolution is unconstitutional, treasonous, seditious and wrong. The fact that the Bedford County Board of Supervisors would even entertain this as an agenda item is ludicrous. For the first time in the 30 years that I have lived here, I am embarrassed to be associated with this place. While the rest of the world watches our country mismanage a deadly virus and people are dying, citizens in Bedford county are wasting the Supervisors' time with this nonsense. Objecting to wearing a mask and social distancing is beyond ignorant. As a constituent in this county, I kindly request that you end this posturing quickly and decisively.

Thank you for your time in this matter.

Sincerely,

Veronica Sutton
Montvale

From: ryan johnson <rjohnson51142@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 11:04 AM
To: Brigitte Lockett <b.lockett@bedfordcountyva.gov>
Subject: No shutdown resolution

Hello, I just wanted to send a quick email expressing my support for the proposed no shutdown resolution up for vote this evening. I feel like the governor has over stepped his authority with his covid mandates and that this resolution helps Bedford county residents protect their businesses and 1st amendment freedoms. Thank you for your time and consideration.

From: Thomas Messier <tdmessier@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 3:57 PM
To: John Sharp <jsharp@bedfordcountyva.gov>
Cc: Brigitte Lockett <b.lockett@bedfordcountyva.gov>
Subject: Remarks for Board Meeting, 11/23/2020

CITIZEN COMMENTS (EMAILED, NOT READ INTO RECORD)

11.23.2020 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

The following message is prepared by Cynthia Gunnoe and James and Thomas Messier, residence 1621 Kingston Circle, Bedford, VA, 24523, in District 7.

Good evening, Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors.

It is no secret that none of us are happy about the situation that we have been thrust into in the past 9 months, and truthfully, we would all rather not have to abide by the restrictions and mandates that have been ordered by the Governor to try and curb the spread of the virus and save people's lives. However, in a time when it is crucial that we as a community come together and work toward the common goal of beating this virus, a resolution has been proposed that would make this task infinitely harder and would encourage a blatant disregard for the law.

For just a minute, please put yourselves in the shoes of a Virginia state trooper or a representative of the Virginia Department of Health. Understand that when they put on their uniforms in the morning, they swear no allegiance to the powers that be in Richmond. They do not ruminate about how they plan to strip you of your constitutional rights over their first cup of coffee at breakfast. They are men and women, just like you and I, in whom we place our trust to keep us safe and do their jobs to the best of their ability. If you are angry at the governor, at least direct your anger to the correct source and do not pass a resolution that would take out your fury on people who are doing their jobs.

Next, I would like you to put yourselves in the shoes of anyone who is at heightened risk of developing severe complications if they become infected with COVID-19. Understand the message that you are sending to them if you pass this resolution. This resolution effectively prioritizes the freedom of people to go out and have dinner over the ability of at-risk people to stay alive. It is far better to wear a mask for a limited amount of time and limit gatherings to a manageable amount of people than it is to lose valuable community members forever to a disease that certainly could have been prevented.

We urge you to put politics aside and act with compassion. Mark 12:31 states that there is no greater commandment than to "love thy neighbour as thyself." Whether you agree with the governor or not, it is the kind thing to do to encourage mask wearing and avoiding gatherings in order to love our neighbors and support our businesses. With technology and innovation working at breakneck speed, we are seeing a way out of the condition that we are in. If we can persevere through this winter, we will soon feel the liberation of having these life-saving measures become unnecessary and eventually repealed when the time is right. So please, we ask you to vote no on this resolution and let facts and logic win this fight.

Thank you.

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Recipient: Bedford County Board of Supervisors

Letter: Greetings,

Preface to Civil War in Bedford County?

Signatures

Name	Location	Date
Donna StClair	Forest, VA	2020-11-22
Cheryl Evans	Big Island, VA	2020-11-22
Marie Klimchuk	Bedford, VA	2020-11-22
Richard Hendrix	Huddleston, VA	2020-11-22
Catherine Backus	Bedford, VA	2020-11-22
Michael Klimchuk	Bedford, VA	2020-11-22
Wendy Rowden	Bedford, VA	2020-11-22
Margaret Alexander	Goode, VA	2020-11-22
Nigel Goulding	Forest, VA	2020-11-22
Derek Wimberly	Bedford, VA	2020-11-22
Frank Weigand	Lynchburg, VA	2020-11-22
Heidi O'Connor	Bedford, VA	2020-11-22
Nancy Socarras	Bedford, VA	2020-11-22
Margaret Anderson	Bif island, VA	2020-11-22
Marjorie Morris(Midge)	Bedford, VA	2020-11-22
Erin Ferguson	Roanoke, VA	2020-11-22
Charles Grainger Grainger	Goode, VA	2020-11-22
Case Pieterman	Thaxton, VA	2020-11-22
Harriett Hurt	Big Island, VA	2020-11-22
Gregory Eaton	Forest, VA	2020-11-22

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Gail Midkiff	Forest, VA	2020-11-22
Cindy Martin	Christiansburg, VA	2020-11-22
John Caldwell	Lynchburg, VA	2020-11-22
Brenda Lockhart	Forest, VA	2020-11-22
Sandra Nelms-Ludwig	Bedford, VA	2020-11-22
aleayah banks	Houston, US	2020-11-22
Phoebe F	Upper Darby, US	2020-11-22
Alexandria Ann Tomy	Bellevue, US	2020-11-22
Lance Kammerud	US	2020-11-22
Jennifer Trail	Forest, VA	2020-11-22
Dana Ballard	Forest, VA	2020-11-22
Allegra Helms	Lynchburg, VA	2020-11-22
John Ramsey	Forest, VA	2020-11-22
Mike Carr	Moneta, VA	2020-11-22
Patricia Carr	Moneta, VA	2020-11-22
Barry Hurt	Lynchburg, VA	2020-11-22
Beverly Padgett	Bedford, VA	2020-11-22
Doug Stevens	Roanoke, VA	2020-11-22
Ellen Ashwell	Marshall, VA	2020-11-22
Aubretta Moody	Bedford, VA	2020-11-22
Richard Pulley	Forest, VA	2020-11-22
Jane Snider	Forest, VA	2020-11-22

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Sallie Fortney	Bedford, VA	2020-11-22
Edrie Bays	Bedford, VA	2020-11-22
Penelope Scott	Monroe, VA	2020-11-22
Richard Beauregard	Lynchburg, VA	2020-11-22
Jill Mickley	Forest, VA	2020-11-22
Rich Scott	Lynchburg, VA	2020-11-22
Josh Mickley	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Marky Garabedian	Glen Allen, US	2020-11-23
Jean Chagnon	Montréal, US	2020-11-23
Stephanie Kittrell	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Taylor Samsel	Austin, US	2020-11-23
bill mosley	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Conner Fick	Norgolk, US	2020-11-23
Steven Reichart	Holly hill, US	2020-11-23
Alannah Radke	Banning, US	2020-11-23
jenny phan	Minneapolis, US	2020-11-23
John Stafford	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Michael Shea	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
John Kramer	Marshfield, US	2020-11-23
Debbie Lucchi	Lancaster, US	2020-11-23
Anthony Scalzitti	Kalamazoo, US	2020-11-23
Rosy Nunez	Lancaster, US	2020-11-23

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Tewdros Reda	Minneapolis, US	2020-11-23
Penelope Clarke	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Katelyn Mayberry	Lynchburg, VA	2020-11-23
Sandy Kanehl	Forest, VA	2020-11-23
Jessica Scott	Huddleston, VA	2020-11-23
Nona McGary	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Ellen Deane	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Jay White	Huddleston, VA	2020-11-23
Harry(Randy) Patterson	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Anthony Seifred	Moneta, VA	2020-11-23
Elizabeth McCrodden	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
kim laverty	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Thomas Messier	Bedford, US	2020-11-23
Dianne Nichols	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Drema Sylvester	Moneta, VA	2020-11-23
Karen Nichols	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Karen Nuzzo	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
ELeanor Coppedge	Rocky Mount, VA	2020-11-23
Betty Lesko	Moneta, VA	2020-11-23
Katie Bates	Lynchburg, VA	2020-11-23
Bobby Kelland	Richmond, VA	2020-11-23
Jo Bell	Big Island, VA	2020-11-23

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Tony Pellinghelli	holland, US	2020-11-23
Alauna Collins	Minneapolis, US	2020-11-23
Peggy Vogel	Conway, SC	2020-11-23
Samantha Ruiz	Humble, US	2020-11-23
Levi Kluth	Postville, US	2020-11-23
Leslie Graham	Hudson, OH	2020-11-23
Claire LeBlanc	Metairie, US	2020-11-23
Russ Voelker	Forest, VA	2020-11-23
Martha Cousins	Forest, VA	2020-11-23
Ana Uotinen	Roanoke, VA	2020-11-23
Michael Frank	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Mary Brown	Roanoke, VA	2020-11-23
Frank Karnes	Lynchburg, VA	2020-11-23
Dale Oneal	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Susanne Johnson	Goode, VA	2020-11-23
Mark Bailey	Lynchburg, VA	2020-11-23
Martha Johnson	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Nancy O'Neal	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Rachael Stull	Goode, VA	2020-11-23
Jay Belle	Lawrenceville, VA	2020-11-23
Judy Reynolds	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
John Ketwig	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23

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Bruce Bays	Goodview, VA	2020-11-23
Kathy Ebo	Neenah, WI	2020-11-23
Dan Miles	Forest, VA	2020-11-23
Robert Morriss	Forest, VA	2020-11-23
Sharon Cooper	Vinton, VA	2020-11-23
Nancy Strachan	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Jana Fedele	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Lon Wilhelms	Nashville, TN	2020-11-23
NANCY RAINE	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Bill mosley	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Dave Galindo	Concord, VA	2020-11-23
Suzanne Schubert	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Holly Veloso	Bedfotd, VA	2020-11-23
Gwen Shaneck	Huddleston, VA	2020-11-23
Susan Chappelle	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Javi Mack	Lynchburg, VA	2020-11-23
Darlene Anderson	Montvale, VA	2020-11-23
Caroline Hope	Rocky Mount, VA	2020-11-23
Frank Mills	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Cynthia Dalton	Bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Cathy Namenek	bedford, VA	2020-11-23
Kathryn Drury	Lynchburg, VA	2020-11-23

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Jim Ashwell	Tennessee	2020-11-23