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Topic Require face masks in stores before 2PM

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Comments

The recent governor's order does not mention the use of face masks. The CDC recommends their use to protect others from getting the virus from the mask-wearer. While many here do wear masks, around 30-40% do not. Please consider mandating the use of face masks in Pinellas County indoor retail establishments prior to 2PM. That would protect older and at-risk populations (and anyone else with concerns about the virus) while still allowing later access to those who refuse or are unable to wear a mask. It's not fair (or safe) for the people who diligently wear masks to be surrounded by those unwilling or unable to protect others. Stores should also have the right to require face masks all the time or for longer hours if they choose to do so. If everyone wore a mask, then opening up stores would be much safer. This order would send a strong message about the importance (and duty) of wearing masks.

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