



September 25, 2020

Members of the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors
Maricopa County Board of Supervisors
301 West Jefferson Street
Phoenix, AZ 85003

Dear Members of the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors:

The Arizona Chamber of Commerce and Industry and the Arizona Medical Association (ArMA) are deeply invested in promoting the critical safety measures needed to slow the spread of coronavirus and protect the state's residents, employees, and our healthcare heroes on the front lines of fighting the pandemic.

Earlier this year the Chamber and ArMA partnered to launch *Be Safe, Be Open AZ!* a collaboration between the business community and Arizona's physician community that encourages all Arizonans to do their part to help prevent the spread of coronavirus, while simultaneously assisting business in safely and responsibly strengthening Arizona's economic activity.

One of the core safety pillars of the *Be Safe, Be Open AZ!* campaign is requiring the use of face coverings to slow the spread of coronavirus. We applaud the steps the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors has taken to ensure face coverings are widely used throughout Maricopa County as they are proven to be an effective safety protocol to slow the spread of infection.

We encourage you to continue the mandate. If we want to preserve the progress we've made and not revert backwards toward more infections and overstressed hospitals and risk more business closures, then we'll all have to adhere to heightened protocols and demonstrate a commitment to responsibly protect ourselves and our fellow Arizonans.

Safety is key to ensuring employees can work, children and young adults can learn, businesses and healthcare providers can operate, and our economy can continue to thrive.

Sincerely,

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Glenn Hamer
President and CEO
Arizona Chamber of Commerce & Industry

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Libby McDannell".

Libby McDannell, CAE
Chief Executive Officer
Arizona Medical Association