

Date August 3, 2021  
To Mendocino County Board of Supervisors; Mendocino County Public Health Officer  
From Mendocino County Lodging Operators  
**Subject Support for COVID-19 Preventative Measures**

Dear Supervisors:

On behalf of the lodging community, we share Dr. Coren's concerns about the increase in positive COVID-19 cases in Mendocino County. Not only are we concerned for our guests, but also for our employees, our families and our local community. We would strongly embrace a new indoor mask mandate as proposed to our lodging group by Dr. Coren and his experienced and educated team at the Mendocino County Public Health Office.

Since the onset of this global pandemic in early 2020, our lodging group recognized the need to meet this challenge and come up with solutions and a path forward to help our community while still being able to operate our respective businesses. We communicated to visitors before they arrived about what to expect from their trip to Mendocino County, and what our community expectations were of them. We also spoke of the importance of wearing masks, social distancing and proper cleaning protocols with our respective staff members.

As we once more find our County in the unfortunate position of growing cases of the coronavirus, we as individual business owners, would support a recommendation to take the further step of encouraging our employees to either be vaccinated or get weekly surveillance tests. It is our hope that this additional measure, in tandem with a new mask mandate, can help turn the tide on the devastating COVID-19 pandemic.

The Mendocino County lodging community is committed to doing our part in keeping businesses operating, employees working, and helping to ensure everyone's health and welfare.

Sincerely,

Mendocino County Lodging Operators