

## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 83

Senator Theis offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to condemn President Joe Biden's authoritarian  
2 decision to impose vaccine requirements on private employers.

3 Whereas, On September 9, 2021, President Joe Biden announced  
4 his administration's plan to impose strict COVID-19 vaccine  
5 requirements on private businesses. Employers with over 100  
6 employees will be required to ensure employees are vaccinated or  
7 impose burdensome weekly testing regimens. The President also moved  
8 to mandate vaccines for health care workers, federal contractors,  
9 and the majority of federal workers; and

10 Whereas, These requirements are an egregious overreach by the  
11 President infringing on Americans' civil liberties. Health care  
12 decisions, including whether or not to get vaccinated, are deeply  
13 personal and should not be subject to intrusive and autocratic

1 edicts from the government; and

2       Whereas, Imposing vaccine requirements will disproportionately  
3 impact low-income Americans. People in households with an annual  
4 income of less than \$25,000 make up the largest share of  
5 unvaccinated Americans. Imposing sanctions, such as lost  
6 employment, on the most economically vulnerable is unnecessarily  
7 cruel; and

8       Whereas, The President's exemption for U.S. postal workers  
9 from vaccine requirements highlights the political calculations  
10 behind the policy. Exempting these federal employees while imposing  
11 vaccines and onerous testing requirements on private sector  
12 employees undermines the assertion that the policy is about  
13 defeating COVID-19; and

14       Whereas, President Biden's dictate is not grounded in science  
15 and does not address the significant COVID-19 protections acquired  
16 by natural immunity. Any policy ignoring science in favor of  
17 oppressive mandates reveals the true purpose of that policy is  
18 control rather than public health. This directive serves no public  
19 health purpose and will result in resistance, not compliance; now,  
20 therefore, be it

21       Resolved by the Senate, That we condemn President Joe Biden's  
22 authoritarian decision to impose vaccine requirements on private  
23 employers; and be it further

24       Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the  
25 President of the United States.