

**ORDINANCE NO. 2022-\_\_\_\_\_**  
**CITY OF TONTITOWN, WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS**  
**A ORDINANCE EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS AND**  
**CHOICE AS IT RELATES TO VACCINES, AND PROHIBITING THE CITY**  
**FROM REQUIRING ANY PERSON TO PRESENT EVIDENCE OF**  
**IMMUNIZATION AS A CONDITION FOR PROVIDING ACCESS, SERVICE,**  
**OR EMPLOYMENT TO THE CITY**

**WHEREAS**, vaccines are one tool that are used to protect the health and well-being of the public in the management of lethal communicable diseases, and

**WHEREAS**, every citizen who wants a vaccine possesses the right to obtain one; and the City of Tontitown affirms that right, and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Tontitown honors each persons' autonomy to assess risks and make their own informed health decisions, whether that be with allopathic, naturopathic, or alternative medicine, as each person determines what is best for their own situation, and

**WHEREAS**, people have the right to refuse vaccination based on religious, medical, or personal reasons, and every medical intervention requires informed consent and the right of refusal, and

**WHEREAS**, Arkansas HB1547 prohibits the state from mandating a vaccine or immunization for Coronavirus 2019, and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Tontitown does not discriminate upon any individual with regard to their race, religion, culture, gender, age, health, or vaccination status, and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council desires to express its support for the rights of individuals, families, and employees in our community, to direct their own health choices regarding vaccination or medical treatment, including Police, Fire, Public Works, First Responders, and all city staff, and

**WHEREAS**, it seems best to protect these individual rights and medical freedoms by preventing the mandating of vaccines in the City of Tontitown.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED** by the City Council of Tontitown, Arkansas:

**Section 1:** That the City of Tontitown shall not require any person to present evidence of his or her immunization status in connection with any service provided to the City of Tontitown, nor in connection with his or her employment to the City of Tontitown.

**Section 2:** The City shall not require any testing for a communicable disease as a requirement for employment.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022

APPROVED:

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Gene McCartney, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Rhonda Ardemagni, Clerk-Treasurer  
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