

## Resolution to Call For the Immediate Resignation of Robert F Kennedy Jr.

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**WHEREAS** Robert F Kennedy Jr was confirmed 52-48 by the US Senate to be the US Secretary of Health and Human Services; {1}

**WHEREAS** Kennedy has been known to mislead the public about autism and vaccines and has cancelled meetings about the upcoming flu strain which could put many lives at risk for the upcoming cold and flu season; {1, 2, 3}

**WHEREAS** Measles has been spreading rapidly particularly in unvaccinated children and the death toll is on the rise; {4}

WHEREAS studies were conducted proving that vaccines do not cause autism; {5}

**WHEREAS** vaccines contain a dead or weakened version of the virus or bacteria to stimulate the immune system to build a resistance to the disease; {5}

**WHEREAS** while bad side effects can occur, not only are they often usually minor but for almost all children, the benefits of getting vaccinated are much greater than the potential side effects in general; {5}

**WHEREAS** not vaccinating children is likely to increase the risk of others around them as some children cannot be vaccinated for medical reasons, therefore their only protection is herd immunity where everyone around them is vaccinated. This reduces the risk to the unprotected individual(s); {5}

**WHEREAS** autism does not even have to be cured anyway; We can work with autism rather than against it; There are plenty of tips and videos that can show how. {6, 7, 8}

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alexandria Democratic Committee calls for the immediate resignation of Mr. Kennedy and asks that he be replaced by someone who takes diseases and human lives seriously; and- who will not mislead the public about health.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the ADC calls upon the Alexandria City Government and Alexandria's Federal delegation to promote the availability of accurate health information wherever possible.

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