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Hello there,

I am a life-long Napa resident and have worked and supported myself and my family here since 1969.

I currently am employed by a gym here and would very much like to get back to work.

I have followed the recent changes to public health guidance from both the state and county and am getting EXTREMELY frustrated at the lack of transparency, the seemingly arbitrary opening protocols for businesses and the confusing and unhelpful nature of your public website.

(It appears, after navigating the labyrinth of your public information site that RESTAURANTS are allowed to have up to 100 people indoors to dine... but a health club can have only 10% capacity indoors.... HUH? (for my gym this would be about 40 ppl) This make ZERO logical sense... is this an accurate parsing of your guidance? If so, how do you justify this?)-(also, the most recent updates to guidance on the site are from late June and the very early days of August.... where is the current information?)

Can the gym open on Monday as so many around California are doing?

We have followed every directive and prepared our gym for indoor use - and even opened up for the few weeks we were allowed in July.

We are ready to open. Can we do it now? Who can we contact with questions to get prompt, transparent and accurate answers? Where can we go to voice our concerns to civic 'leaders'?

This has gone on far too long. People are losing... or let me state it more accurately... having their life's work, their businesses (and all the employees who depend on the income from them) ripped away with seemingly no recourse.

Might I remind you that you were elected to SERVE the people of this county, and indeed, it is these people who pay you. If business is destroyed, your tax base is destroyed, your lives eventually will be as destroyed as those who now suffer due to your inaction, equivocation and lack of forward looking leadership.

I implore you to act! to communicate! and finally to allow the citizens of this county to make informed adult choices about their own lives and the risks that they are willing to take to begin to LIVE again in society.

Will you respond to me? Any of you?

Will you help the people of the community you serve?

Will you stand up? Any of you?

Thank you,  
Jasper Trout

CC Mayor Jill Techel & the Napa city council, members of the county board of supervisors,  
the napa register

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