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FOIL #: 20-10-185

Dear Mr. Huston:

This letter responds to your Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) request of October 12, 2020, in which you requested:

[C]opies of all records which indicate:

- a) the efficacy (pro/con) of wearing masks (face coverings) by the general public is an effective method of stopping the spread of infectious disease, such as influenza or COVID-19.
- b) any safety risks associated with the long-term wearing of masks or face-coverings by asymptomatic or healthy people.

Please be advised that after conducting a diligent search, no records responsive to your request have been located.

Should you feel that you have been unlawfully denied access to records, you may appeal such denial in writing within 30 days to the Records Access Appeals Officer, Division of Legal Affairs, Empire State Plaza, 2438 Corning Tower, Albany, New York 12237-0026.

If you require additional information or wish to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact me at (518) 474-8734.

Sincerely,

Rosemarie Hewig, Esq.
Records Access Officer

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