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STOP LOCKDOWNS, ISOLATION AND ECONOMIC CARNAGE!

The current coronavirus lockdowns, forced isolation and resulting catastrophic damage to the U.S. and world economies are based on faulty data and assumptions, according to a growing number of noted researchers.

“We need some straight talk, straight thinking and political courage to prevent another Great Depression,” said James L. Tobin, economist and president of Taxpayers United of America (TUA).

Joseph C. Sternberg, writing in the April 24, 2020 edition of the *Wall Street Journal*, explained that the “experts” were probably correct when they initially stated that the goal “was not to vanquish the virus but merely to try to control its spread so as not to overwhelm health-care systems.” In other words, they realized that “we can’t stop the virus, we can only slow it.” Now this view is attacked. “This is the biggest fact about the pandemic that remains politically impossible to say,” said Sternberg.

Scott W. Atlas, MD, the David and Joan Traitel Senior Fellow at Stanford University’s Hoover Institution, writing in the April 22, 2020 edition of *The Hill*, points out that the overwhelming majority of people do not have any significant risk of dying from COVID-19. The recent Stanford University antibody study now estimates that the fatality rate of infected is likely 0.1 to 0.2 percent, a risk far lower than previous World Health Organization estimates that were 20 to 30 times higher and that motivated isolation policies.

Furthermore, Dr. Atlas reveals that vital population immunity is prevented by total isolation policies, prolonging the problem. The coronavirus is so mild that half of infected people are asymptomatic. The pandemic has been falsely portrayed as a problem requiring mass isolation. In fact, infected people without severe illness are the immediately-available vehicle for establishing widespread immunity.

Additionally, people are dying because other medical care is not getting done due to hypothetical projections.

“Critical health care for millions of Americans is being ignored and people are dying to

accommodate 'potential' COVID-19 patients and for fear of spreading the disease," says Dr. Atlas. "Most states and many hospitals abruptly stopped 'nonessential' procedures and surgery. That prevented diagnoses of life-threatening diseases, like cancer screening, biopsies of tumors now undiscovered and potentially deadly brain aneurysms."

"It is a scandal, and really tragic, that this pandemic has become a political football that has put our entire economy at risk," said Tobin. "Bureaucrat fear mongers such as Doctors Anthony Fauci and Deborah Birx are doing our country a great disservice by perpetuating fear and dread. And some politicians want to keep our economy shut down until there is no more coronavirus. By that time, the U.S. will have gone back to the stone age."

"Stop forced isolation and keep it voluntary only for vulnerable persons such as the elderly and pregnant women. Let our stores and restaurants open again. Now is the time to stop this drift toward fascism."

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