

## Dear Speaker Pelosi:

We represent San Francisco's most beloved restaurants who are on the verge of closing our doors permanently as a result of the COVID-19 crisis. When we asked you to act this summer you delivered, ensuring the House of Representatives passed the RESTAURANTS Act that could provide critical grants for struggling independent restaurants and bars in San Francisco and across the country.

Now this pandemic is worse than ever, negotiations over federal relief continue, and we need you to continue being a champion for neighborhood restaurants. Right now over 60,000 San Franciscans working in our dining rooms risk losing their jobs. San Francisco's reputation as one of America's most diverse culinary destinations is at stake. Many establishments open for decades have already closed permanently including Famous Bao, Ton Kiang, E'Tutto Qua, Farallon, Hinodeya, Bistro Aix, House, and Louis'. Many more have temporarily closed, and their closures will become permanent soon unless the Senate joins the House and passes the RESTAURANTS Act.

In May, nearly 90% of San Francisco's restaurants were losing money. Over the summer, restaurant sales dropped about 91% and over half of San Francisco's restaurants have stopped generating sales. Today with indoor and outdoor dining restrictions, 100% of restaurants are losing revenue. If you were one of less than 8% of businesses lucky enough to receive a Paycheck Protection Program loan, that funding has, or very shortly will, run out. That's why your support for our industry has been so crucial, and we thank you for listening to the hundreds of restaurants in your district who are trying to survive this crisis.

This is bigger than San Francisco. Across the country, nearly one in four jobs lost during the pandemic belonged to a restaurant or bar worker. The longer restaurants remain closed, the longer those families go without paychecks. Those job losses will become permanent without help; in fact, the Independent Restaurant Coalition estimates 85% of restaurants risk permanently closing without targeted federal relief.

The \$120 billion restaurant revitalization fund in the RESTAURANTS Act is the best solution Congress has to protect San Franciscans' livelihoods. We're encouraged by the progress made and deeply grateful for your persistence on our behalf, and we hope we can rely on your continued advocacy to get this crucial legislation across the finish line. Time is running out.



Congress must come together and pass the RESTAURANTS Act to save San Francisco's many independent restaurants and caterers — and the tens of thousands they employ.

Gratefully,

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AL's Place AF&Co, multiple restaurants

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