

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRESNO, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING CONTINUED OUTDOOR DINING AND REQUESTING GOVERNOR NEWSOM PROVIDE RELIEF TO RESTAURANTS BY FACILITATING A RETURN TO INDOOR DINING AS SOON AND AS SAFELY AS POSSIBLE

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 crisis continues to devastate the local restaurant community in the City, resulting in continued economic and employment fallout; and

WHEREAS, the impact on restaurants affects the City's budget and the community as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the restrictions on restaurants have already caused many to close, and have put thousands out of work; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that the Governor allow a workable pathway to safe indoor dining in the very near future; and

WHEREAS, outdoor dining in the City is not always a feasible alternative, given the region's frequent triple-digit temperatures and toxic, smoke-filled skies; and

WHEREAS, limiting options to take-out, delivery, and patio dining is unsustainable as a business model for local restaurants, and will likely lead to the wholesale destruction of the local restaurant industry; and

WHEREAS, the City has consistently enforced all State and local COVID-19 regulations, and remains committed to protecting public health while helping restaurants operate in a safe manner and at sustainable indoor capacity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Fresno as follows:

Date Adopted:
Date Approved:
Effective Date:
City Attorney Approval: _____

Resolution No.

1. The Council hereby requests Governor Newsom continue to improve upon the State tiered program by providing restaurants a more realistic pathway to return to indoor dining as soon and as safely as possible.
2. The City is prepared to facilitate safe indoor dining in consultation with our State and our public health guidelines as directed by our Fresno County Public Health Department.
3. The Council further affirms the requests by the California Restaurant Association to authorize restaurants to continue outdoor dining per current standards, once indoor dining is again allowed.
4. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF FRESNO) ss.
CITY OF FRESNO)

I, YVONNE SPENCE, City Clerk of the City of Fresno, certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Fresno, at a regular meeting held on the _____ day of _____, 2020.

AYES :
NOES :
ABSENT :
ABSTAIN :

Mayor Approval: _____, 2020
Mayor Approval/No Return: _____, 2020
Mayor Veto: _____, 2020
Council Override Vote: _____, 2020

YVONNE SPENCE, MMC
City Clerk

By: _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
DOUGLAS T. SLOAN
City Attorney

By: _____
Katie Doerr Date
Assistant City Attorney