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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
HARRISBURG
May 18, 2020

The Honorable Tom Wolf
Governor of Pennsylvania
225 Main Capital Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Governor Wolf:

We would first like to thank you for making many difficult decisions in the fight against the Coronavirus for the health of Pennsylvania. We understand that your action requiring people to stay home and the closure of non-essential businesses were made for the safety of our Commonwealth citizens and we too believe they were the right decisions to make.

As the curve begins to flatten and counties move into the yellow phase we recognize the need to be cautious as we look to the future and how our community businesses transition to re-open responsibly. As the days warm and summer approaches we believe that a good first step to slowly phase in the re-opening of our restaurants would be to allow outside seating at restaurants and eating establishments. With proper guidelines we are confident that our restaurant industry can both accommodate the proper social distancing while allowing our businesses to safely re-open for customers.

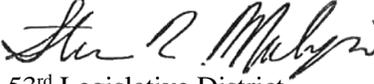
Our restaurant industry is well versed on consumer safety and have been practicing and training protective practices long before this pandemic. They are all too familiar with food safety, proper preventive hygiene practices and the importance of disinfectants. We believe that as counties transition to yellow that outdoor seating will provide a mini stimulus that this industry needs. Allowing the restaurant industry to permit outdoor seating over the Memorial Day weekend will give the restaurant industry an opportunity to build consumer confidence and demonstrate that consumers can once again safely dine outside their homes with reasonable limitations. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter and we look forward to working with you as we rebuild our communities together.

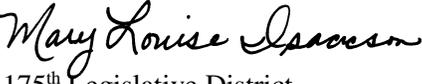
Sincerely,

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