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Subject: Request for Support: Expanded Patio Permissions

Your Worship Mayor Krog and Nanaimo Council members,

REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR EXPANDED PATIO PERMISSIONS

On behalf of the BC Restaurant and Foodservices Association, the Alliance of Beverage Licensees, and the BC Craft Brewers Guild, we are writing to thank you for expanding outdoor dining in your municipality and to request that you consider:

1. Expediting applications for businesses to winterize patios in public and private spaces to provide operators with the opportunity to capitalize on the confidence of outdoor space
2. Approving temporary patios for Summer 2021 now so operators are able to plan ahead; and
3. Creating a program for designated pick up zones so that businesses can enhance contactless curbside pick up in the fall and winter months.

The incredible support and creativity municipalities have already offered makes a difference. We ask that you continue to think outside the box as it is essential to business success and keeping hospitality workers employed.

We would ask that you consider:

- Clear and uniform requirements for heating, ventilating and electrical (including specific product recommendations) that comply with BC building code.
- Pre-approving styles of canopies and heater units that meet the jurisdictional needs.
- Reducing red tape and cost where possible.
- Creating effective and coordinated communication to operators to let operators know next steps and how to apply for any new processes in your jurisdiction.

Our commitment is to continue to advocate with LCLB to get the extension on liquor service areas to ensure that any changes you make will be possible.

Full details attached.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions or request for further information.

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