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Commission Meeting

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Comments:

Being able to open 20% for dine-in services will help in our business being able to stay open tremendously; 40% would help even more and we would still be able to seat customers at a safe distance (we have capacity of 150). We have already had reusable/washable masks made for staff members, have cases of server approved gloves on hand and all necessary sanitizers and equipment to keep our restaurant continually cleaned. For the businesses with hourly employees; it would also be very helpful if the government would mandate that once an employee's job is available and they are called back to work, that the employee must return to work instead of opting to stay on unemployment. In getting prepared to re-open we have contacted employees ahead of time; several have mentioned that they may want to just stay on unemployment since they aren't being required to find work or return to work. We have explained that many other restaurants have permanently closed and that if they don't come back to work we will have to hire someone for their position; and we prefer to have our work family back together. We have told them that once their unemployment runs out, their position will no longer be available and with so many restaurants closing; it may be very difficult to find a job. It seems they might need more motivation than business owners explaining the employees possible outcome if they choose not to return to work.