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57-F.		Other	Ernie Quintero	<p>Help us...To the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles and other Elected and Appointed officials,</p> <p>We the concerned Citizens and Homeowners of: Florence Firestone, Walnut Park, Huntington Park, South Gate, and Surrounding</p> <p>We understand you think that YOU are doing what is right for these communities, but you are NOT. Many of us have TIME AND TIME Emailed, Called, POSTED and so on That we are NOT IN-LINE with many of the things you are doing. YOU ARE SUPPOSED TO BE WORKING FOR US, Not making decisions for us! You are wanting to add more Housing to these areas and BRING THE CITIZENS to OUR KNEES! Whereas You would NEVER allow this type of behavior or buildings in mass amounts in your own neighborhoods!</p> <p>WE ARE TIRED of</p> <p>Lack of Law Enforcement presence allowing Crime to become heightened FILTH from littering and illegal dumping and the illegal boondocking within city and county limits for many days where they are dumping in the streets as well as stealing resources from city and county (tapping into fire hydrants and electrical outlets). Forcing communities to accept more people taking away from their resources and breaking them financially as well as making it impossible for parking even more so since Garage conversions were authorized.</p> <p>Certain communities have laws not allowing Pot Shops in it and STILL not doing that, or regulating that they take it home... MANY times people smoking it IN PUBLIC and WHILE DRIVING. Yet you take no movement in regulating it. Many People are BOTHERED by that smoke or Have Allergies or Asthma.</p> <p>This is just a SMALL list!</p> <p>The citizens that you need to listen to,</p>

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57-F.		Other	Florence Firestone	<p>Hello,</p> <p>As you all may be aware, the entire community of the Florence – Firestone district of Los Angeles is upset, and is coming together to voice concerns regarding the illegally parked RV's and the lack of response from the Board of Supervisors. We have complained to various city and government officials including but not limited to the following, the Sheriff's department, Parking enforcement, Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard, the Board of Supervisors and no one is listening or doing anything about this. The crime rate is out of control, and the city officials do not care. There was a recent killing, a homeless person killed another homeless person, yet nothing happens.</p> <p>My question to the Board of Supervisors is the following, what needs to happen for the Board of Supervisors to act? Does an innocent bystander or child to be killed by a stray bullet? Can the City of Los Angeles get a sign like Huntington Park to ban the parking of RV's or trailers? What is the Board of Supervisors doing regarding this issue? See the YouTube video below we created to spread awareness. PLEASE HELP!!!!</p> <p>youtu.be/tpCebjlin-4</p>
		Item Total	3	
Grand Total			3	

McCullough, Debbie

From: Gmail <brewyardbeerco@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 26, 2020 11:06 AM
To: brewyardbeerco@gmail.com
Subject: Brewyard Supports the COVID 19 Recovery Charge for Breweries , Restaurants, & Wineries in LA County

To Whom it May Concern,

I wanted to express my gratitude to the Board of Supervisors for listening to our stories and hearing our pleas to help our breweries survive this pandemic. It's still going to be a tough battle but you have given us a glimmer of hope that we can ride this out into next year where a more substantive recovery can be made.

I also wanted to express our support for the "COVID 19 Recovery Charge for Breweries , Restaurants, & Wineries in LA County" in order to not only help us but also this service industry as a whole. Thank you again for supporting Los Angeles Breweries!

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McCullough, Debbie

From: Laina McFerren <Laina@wolfcreekbrewery.com>
Sent: Monday, October 26, 2020 11:10 AM
To: PublicComments; First District; The Office of Mark Ridley-Thomas; Sheila; Supervisor Janice Hahn (Fourth District); Barger, Kathryn
Cc: Frances Cannon
Subject: COvid 19 recovery charge

I would like to comment in support of the motion for the Covid -19 relief surcharge put forth by Supervisor Solis to aid restaurants, wineries and breweries. We appreciate any tools available to help us recover the enormous added expenses of operating under the new COVID-19 restrictions. We've all been working hard to stay afloat in these uncertain times and every little bit makes a difference.

Thank you for considering this for the hospitality industry!

Laina McFerren
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McCullough, Debbie

From: Eddie Navarrette <eddie@fedesignandconsulting.com>
Sent: Monday, October 26, 2020 2:42 PM
To: PublicComments; First District; The Office of Mark Ridley-Thomas; Sheila; Supervisor Janice Hahn (Fourth District); Barger, Kathryn
Subject: IHC Letter of Support - COVID-19 Recovery Charge for Restaurants, Breweries, & Wineries
Attachments: IHC Letter of Support_COVID Recovery Charge.pdf
Categories: Dark Gray

Hello all,

Attached please find a letter on behalf of the [Independent Hospitality Coalition](#) (IHC), a coalition of **local hospitality workers** whose purpose is to provide representation for our growing workforce and essential businesses, in response to the County's recent motion related to the COVID-19 Recovery Charges.

We are so thankful for the County's work on this. By allowing food establishments to temporarily charge a "COVID-19 Recovery Charge," our local restaurants will be offered financial support to sustain jobs and keep businesses viable.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Thank you,
Eddie



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Via Email

October 26, 2020

Members of the Board

Hilda L. Solis

Mark Ridley-Thomas

Sheila Kuehl

Janice Hahn

Kathryn Barger

500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: COVID-19 Recovery Charge as an Economic Tool for Restaurants, Breweries and Wineries

Dear Members of the Board:

The Independent Hospitality Coalition (IHC) represents over 450 members made up of local food service business operators and employees within the Los Angeles area. We were created to provide a voice and representation for our workforce and essential businesses that are engrained in Los Angeles' local economy.

We are writing in support of **Item 57-F** on the County Board Supplemental Agenda for the meeting on October 27th, 2020. The recommendation would explore the possibility of allowing food establishments to temporarily charge a "COVID-19 Recovery Charge" within the unincorporated areas of the County.

The restaurant and hospitality industry has been decimated by the COVID-19 virus. The number of jobs expected to evaporate from the independent hospitality industry, including restaurants, is astronomical, and will make a negative impact in the years ahead while the industry recovers from the devastating impacts on the virus.

As independent small businesses, we don't have access to financing and funding for support like other large businesses have the ability to do. IHC supports a temporary "COVID-19 Recovery Charge" on customer's checks because it will allow businesses to recover part of the fees associated with the devastating economic impact of the virus. This financial support will support jobs and our community by keeping the corner stores open and restaurants viable.

Thank you for the hard work you and your staff have invested into the County's restaurants and hospitality businesses. We truly appreciate your efforts to ensure we can continue to safely serve Los Angeles County residents and bring economic vitality to the County. We hope the County will continue to recognize that and support the thousands of restaurants struggling to make it through this pandemic.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please do not hesitate to reach out to me directly at Eddie Navarrette 213-687-6963, ext. 101.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Eddie Navarrette', with a vertical line extending downwards from the end of the signature.

Eddie Navarrette
IHC Advocacy Committee Chair
eddie@fedesignandconsulting.com

About IHC

The Independent Hospitality Coalition (IHC) is a coalition of California hospitality workers whose purpose is to provide representation for our growing workforce and essential businesses, creating awareness of our role in the economic fabric of society. Our mission is to have a seat at the table to help shape policy and legitimize our crucial impact on communities and cities throughout California. More information can be found here:

<https://www.independenthospitality.org/>

McCullough, Debbie

From: Laurie Porter <laurieroberts@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 26, 2020 1:47 PM
To: PublicComments; First District; The Office of Mark Ridley-Thomas; Sheila; Supervisor Janice Hahn (Fourth District); Barger, Kathryn
Subject: Support! Covid Recovery and Economic Tool

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Categories: Dark Gray

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I'd like to express my support of the Covid Recovery and Economic Tool set forth before the BOS today - as a small business working through the pandemic, every little bit counts. Many of our local breweries and small businesses have been closed by State or County order and survival in this climate is challenging. I ask that the BOS support this motion and give our businesses added tools to help us get through the crisis, support our staff, pay our rents and provide the needed PPE to protect our business and community. Thank you!

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Cheers!
Laurie

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McCullough, Debbie

From: Ann Hsing <ann@dialoguerestaurant.com>
Sent: Monday, October 26, 2020 8:28 PM
To: PublicComments; Sheila; Castellanos, Patricia
Subject: Support of Item 57-F on Agenda for 10/27/2020
Attachments: Letter of Support.pdf

Categories: Dark Gray

Members of the Board:

Re: COVID-19 Recovery Charge as an Economic Tool for Restaurants, Breweries and Wineries

Dear Members of the Board:

My name is Ann Hsing, and I am a managing partner in pasjoli, a restaurant located at 2732 Main Street in Santa Monica and Dialogue, a restaurant located at 1315 3rd Street Promenade in Santa Monica.

I am writing in support of Item 57-F on the County Board Supplemental Agenda for the meeting on October 27th, 2020. The recommendation would explore the possibility of allowing food establishments to temporarily charge a "COVID-19 Recovery Charge" within the unincorporated areas of the County.

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I support a temporary "COVID-19 Recovery Charge" on customer's checks because it will allow businesses to recover part of the fees associated with the devastating economic impact of the virus. This financial support will support jobs and community by keeping our restaurants open and viable.

Please consider passing Item 57-F and allow the industry the ability to recover costs and have the ability to continue to operate and serve Los Angeles County residents.

Thank you,

Ann Hsing
Pasjoli and Dialogue
ann@dialoguerestaurant.com

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Ann Hsing
Pasjoli and Dialogue
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McCullough, Debbie

From: Hunter Hall <hunter@mainstreetsm.com>
Sent: Monday, October 26, 2020 11:01 PM
To: PublicComments; Sheila; Castellanos, Patricia; Gaidzik, Zachary
Cc: advocacy@independenthospitality.org
Subject: *Support for Item 57-F*
Attachments: Support for Item 57-F.pdf

Categories: Dark Gray

Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Hunter G. Hall and I represent M.S.B.I.A., a business improvement district located in Santa Monica in the Third District. I am also a restaurant consultant and advocate in Los Angeles County.

I am writing in support of Item 57-F on the County Board Supplemental Agenda for the meeting on October 27th, 2020. The recommendation would explore the possibility of allowing food establishments to temporarily charge a “*COVID-19 Recovery Charge*” within the unincorporated areas of the County.

As you know, the hospitality industry has been decimated by COVID-19. The number of jobs expected to evaporate from our industry is astronomical, and recovery will take years.

Operators need all the flexibility they can get to survive, and using a “*COVID-19 Recovery Charge*” or *similar*, is already consistent with current CA legal precedents.

Importantly though, small businesses should have the expressed, written blessing of the B.O.S. to use this *specific* surcharge, because it will help shield them from the predatory, frivolous lawsuits that plague our business community already.

Please, allow businesses the flexibility they need to recover part of the hard costs associated with operating during a pandemic. This added revenue will help retain jobs and keep our community vibrant by allowing our local businesses to keep the lights on.

Do the right thing, and pass Item 57-F. Without this type of flexibility, more and more of the local restaurants you know and love will shutter forever.

Please don’t hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Hunter G. Hall
Executive Director
M.S.B.I.A.
314.323.4663
hunter@mainstreetsm.com



October 26, 2020

To: Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors

Re: Support for Item 57-F: COVID-19 Recovery Charge

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McCullough, Debbie

From: Lilly Rocha <lilly@latinorestaurantassociation.org>
Sent: Monday, October 26, 2020 9:16 PM
To: PublicComments; First District; The Office of Mark Ridley-Thomas; Sheila; Supervisor Janice Hahn (Fourth District); Barger, Kathryn
Cc: Pasebani, Aydin
Subject: Support Letter for COVID19 Recovery Charge
Attachments: Support Letter For Covid.pdf

Categories: Dark Gray

Please accept our letter of support for the Covid19 Recovery Charge.
Thank you very much.

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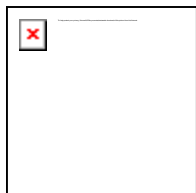
Lilly Rocha
Co-Founder & Board Member
Latino Restaurant Association

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**Support Letter For Covid-10 Recovery for Restaurants, Breweries,
and Wineries From the Latino Restaurant Association**

The COVID-19 pandemic has affected the independent hospitality industry and its workers throughout the county. As of 2019, 8.8% of all workers in Los Angeles County worked in food service establishments & drinking places, employing 398,800 people. This industry employs a labor workforce that is dependent on jobs with low barriers to entry for their livelihood - with many from communities of color.

Until full indoor dining is once again permitted, the independent hospitality industry is unlikely to generate the revenue they produced before COVID-19, and it is necessary for the Board to support this industry by temporarily allowing them to add a “COVID-19 Recovery Charge” to a customer’s total bill.

The Latino Restaurant Association supports a “COVID-19 Recovery Charge” in order to assist restaurateurs, breweries and wineries with unusual expenses due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Sincerely,

Lilly Rocha

Lilly Rocha
Co-Founder & Executive Director
Latino Restaurant Association

Tati Polo

Tati Polo
Co-Founder & President
Latino Restaurant Association

About the Latino Restaurant Association

The Latino Restaurant Association is dedicated to promoting and supporting all types of Latino restaurant businesses and their auxiliaries. The Latino Restaurant community is vast and strong; therefore, we exist to make things happen, shake it up, and provide resources.

McCullough, Debbie

From: Frances Cannon <frances@labrewersguild.org>
Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2020 9:16 AM
Cc: PublicComments; First District; The Office of Mark Ridley-Thomas; Sheila; Supervisor Janice Hahn (Fourth District); Barger, Kathryn
Subject: Public Comment - SUPPRT for COVID-19 Recovery Charge
Attachments: SUPPORT - Covid19RecoveryFee-signed.pdf

To: Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors

The Los Angeles County Brewers Guild would like to express support of the proposed COVID-19 Recovery Fee as put in motion by Supervisor Hilda Solis. This year has brought a tremendous financial burden to small business owners in every industry, with restaurants, breweries, wineries, and other food & beverage hospitality industries feeling a very strong hit in particular. Extended closures, limited capacity, and having to add additional staffing drive up operational costs that are still not being met with the amount of business we are seeing. This fee being optional gives small business owners like those in our Guild an opportunity to recover the costs of added business expenses such as providing PPE, expanded cleaning of our high-touch surfaces, and general employee wellness initiatives should they feel they wish to take advantage of these tools.

We thank the Board of Supervisors for their consideration of this motion and for your continued work in assisting small independent businesses in L.A. County.

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Cheers,
Frances Michelle Cannon
(née Frances Michelle Lopez)
Executive Director
[L.A County Brewers Guild](#)
t+ig: @labrewers



October 26, 2020

To: Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Frances Cannon". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "F" and "C".

Frances Michelle Cannon (nee' Lopez)
Executive Director, Los Angeles County Brewers Guild

From: [Susan Feniger](#)
To: [PublicComments](#)
Cc: [Mary Sue Milliken](#)
Subject: socalo restaurant
Date: Tuesday, October 27, 2020 1:44:20 PM

Members of the Board:

Re: COVID-19 Recovery Charge as an Economic Tool for Restaurants, Breweries and Wineries

Dear Members of the Board:

My name is Susan Feniger and I represent Socalo, a restaurant located at 1920 Santa Monica Blv in the 3rd District.

I am writing in support of Item 57-F on the County Board Supplemental Agenda for the meeting on October 27th, 2020. The recommendation would explore the possibility of allowing food establishments to temporarily charge a "COVID-19 Recovery Charge" within the unincorporated areas of the County.

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Thank you,

Susan Feniger+Mary Sue Milliken, Chef/Owners
Socalo Restaurant, Santa Monica, CA
susan@bordergrill.com

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