



June 14, 2021

The Honorable Mark Warner  
United States Senate  
703 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Warner,

The Arlington Chamber of Commerce encourages you to support the Restaurant Revitalization Fund Replenishment Act. Senators Sinema and Wicker, along with Representatives Blumenauer and Fitzpatrick, have introduced this bipartisan bill to direct a further \$60 billion to the Small Business Administration for this vital disaster relief fund.

Established as part of the American Rescue Plan Act, the Restaurant Revitalization Fund has been an incredibly effective recovery tool for restaurants, as evidenced by how quickly it was fully subscribed. However, many restaurant operators who applied and have met all the criteria will not receive funding because the \$28.6 billion that the American Rescue Plan allocated for the program is insufficient to meet the demand.

The need for the Restaurant Revitalization Fund is no less great now than it was in March. Governor Northam's removal of capacity and distance limits at the end of May has allowed restaurants to reopen to full capacity. But, many restaurants face significant debts from the past 15 months and an uncertain future. While restaurants' path to recovery is long, the Restaurant Revitalization Fund Replenishment Act will help sustain restaurants along that path to success in Arlington, throughout the Commonwealth, and across the nation.

We thank you for your consideration of these comments.

Sincerely,

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Kate Bates  
President & CEO



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The Honorable Tim Kaine  
United States Senate  
231 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

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The Honorable Don Beyer  
United States House of Representatives  
1119 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Beyer,

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