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Oct. 15, 2020

The Honorable Tom Wolf  
Governor of Pennsylvania  
225 Main Capitol Building  
Harrisburg, PA 19120

Dear Governor Wolf,

Thank you for your leadership this year in dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic. The difficult decisions you have made have undoubtedly saved lives, and we are happy to stand with you in the fight against this pandemic.

As you know, due to this pandemic many of our small businesses are struggling to stay afloat this year. In particular, the pandemic has had a tremendously negative impact on our bar and restaurant industry. While we continue to advocate with you to urge the federal government to pass the RESTAURANTS Act, and understand the restaurant guidance you have put in place under your emergency authority, we are hoping you can also look at your authority to find creative ways to assist this industry during this trying time. As you know, restaurants are one of the largest employers in our commonwealth and now many of them are faced with difficult decisions about their continued operations, with some considering closing their doors permanently.

In looking for options to help our restaurant and bar industry, specifically our Mom and Pop businesses which are the backbone of our local economies, one course of action we would encourage you to consider is to waive filing, surcharge and license fees paid by restaurants for the coming year. This will help alleviate some of the financial hardship the restaurant industry has faced since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic and give them a lifeline to continuing their business operations into next year and hopefully through the end of this pandemic.

We hope you fully consider our recommendation, and we look forward to continuing to work with you to ensure these businesses stay operational.

Sincerely,



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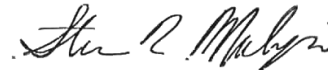
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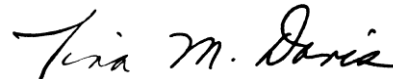
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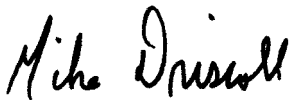
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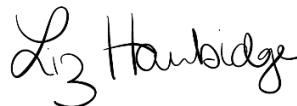
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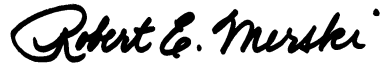
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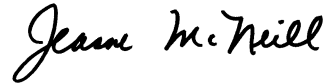
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