
From: Brian Vendley <brian@calexico.net>
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2023 10:34 AM
To: Testimony
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vote YES for Outdoor Dining Int.31-C

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Sincerely,

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From: David Spuungen <dspungen@regentatlantic.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2023 12:18 PM
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Dear NYC Council Council,

I am a resident in your district, and friend and advisor to many restaurant operators. I URGE you to vote IN FAVOR of Int.31-C the permanent outdoor dining bill. There's been years of debate and negotiation and it can wait no longer.

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From: Diana Lyne <dlyne@aretskyspatroon.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2023 10:51 AM
To: Testimony
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vote No for Outdoor Dining Int.31-C

Dear NYC Council Council,

The rat explosion happened because of outdoor dining! Stop that first before the unworkable garbage container rule takes effect...there is no way restaurants can comply without making our streets look like garbage slums! And they will attract rats even when empty because of lingering smells.

Vote NO!

Sincerely,

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From: Emilie Galambos <emilie@purgatorybk.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2023 12:07 PM
To: Testimony
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vote YES for Outdoor Dining Int.31-C

Dear NYC Council Council,

As a bar / restaurant owner, the outdoor dining structure we built during the pandemic is now an integral part of our business. It would be a significant detriment if we were to lose it + we have operated with no complaints or issues with anyone since it has been open. It has become part of the community!

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From: Jodi Richard <jodi@ateranyc.com>
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From: Kenneth McCoy <ken@farmhousehospitalitynyc.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2023 11:14 AM
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From: Padraig Dwyer <pdwyer@dfallied.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2023 10:41 AM
To: Testimony
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vote YES for Outdoor Dining Int.31-C

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The out door dining is very important to our business. It is a large part of our business and it would severely hurt my business.

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