

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Rene Alesandro Coreas

**Date Submitted:** 03/18/2020 12:46 PM

**Council File No:** 00-9999

**Comments for Public Posting:** The restaurant industry is in full crisis, leaving the livelihoods of millions of workers at stake. We urge you to immediately create a relief program providing basic income, relief from rent and protection from eviction for those without a fighting chance.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Sophia Wrench

**Date Submitted:** 03/18/2020 01:14 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Los Angeles Council Members, Since the Coronavirus pandemic has caused a citywide shutdown, Bon Temps restaurant located at 712 S Santa Ave has been hit hard and they have ceased operations and are not currently working. They are not alone in this struggle. Prior to closure they had been on every best new restaurant list in Los Angeles, the newest restaurant to hit the top 25 of 101 Essential Restaurant in the Los Angeles Time, been invited to participate in Coachella's VIP dining experience, nominated for a James Beard award for outstanding pastry, and on the verge of huge success after only opening in June 2019. The recent forced closures are now putting them in danger of extreme financial hardship with no certain work on the horizon. The hospitality industry needs help and meaningful action taken by local and state government now, not only for Bon Temps, but the many other struggling restaurants. Please provide bail outs to the hospitality industry. Sincerely, Sophia Wrench

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Stacey Kane

**Date Submitted:** 03/18/2020 01:23 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** City Council Members, Thank you for taking the time to read through not only this, but all of the messages that have flooded to your offices lately. I am fully aware of the huge responsibilities that lay on your shoulders, and thank you for your service. I know it's not easy and this virus pandemic is more than anyone could have imagined. I want to write to you from the point of the food service industry. All people who cook, bake, serve, and run restaurants, bakeries, and catering companies do it because they love to make others happy by providing them with a daily necessity. It is not a job people do for money, benefits, social life, etc., because that is not common. I am a manager at Bub & Grandma's, a wholesale bakery in Los Angeles, and I can vouch for this. I often go in at 2am, and work 10-14 hour shift. The employees that bake, clean, and drive for us do it for the love of the product and the people, not the money. We are trying to maintain our business, employees, and over 140 Los Angeles based restaurants that we provided bread for. We are struggling. There are a lot of tough decisions to be made, but most importantly are the people that work not only for Bub&Grandma's, but all Los Angeles restaurants. We need help. We need your help now and we will need your help when this crazy time comes to an end. Please help us come up with a plan to save the vast amount of food workers survive this. Thank you for your time, Stacey Kane

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Shaina Mote

**Date Submitted:** 03/18/2020 02:12 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Council Office, My name is Shaina Mote and I am an east side of Los Angeles born and raised fashion designer that has a store located at 5007 N. Figueroa Blvd. I am writing because the state of the COVID-19 pandemic has left my shop doors shuttered in the last week, with no revenue coming in. All our online and in store sales have dropped and our wholesale accounts and not paying. For 10 years, I have had my business on the east side of LA. Los Angeles made production has stood at the forefront of my business model. I employ 6 employees at 5007 N Figueroa location and hundreds through the work I provide for the garment industry workers in Los Angeles, where I produce my clothing with fair wages and ethical standards since 2010. I am urging you to please help us as our businesses are facing peril which can lead to a huge economic impact beyond just my small company, but ripple into thousands of others lives. We provide consistent work for people in Los Angeles and are afraid we will not survive this crisis. I am asking for government support on rent and utilities so that I can continue to keep my doors open. The other option I am looking at is grave. We need our local government to stand up for the people of this neighborhood to help us survive during the state of emergency caused by acts of nature. Thank you for your service and assistance. Sincerely, Shaina Mote  
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