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The Costly Restaurant Ordinance Hurts Family-Owned Businesses Like Mine!

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Dear Mr. Lopez:

As the proud owner and operator of a local restaurant in your district for the last 20 years, I urge you to REJECT the Costly Restaurant Ordinance (CF: 19-0229-S2).

This ordinance would impose unnecessary, duplicative, and costly new burdens on family-owned local restaurants, devastating businesses like mine.

Like many local restaurant owners, I am already grappling with the impact of California's \$20/hour minimum wage and rising operating costs. To cope, I've been forced to make difficult decisions, including raising prices, which directly affects my customers. Personally, I haven't been able to pay myself a salary in 2 years because of these struggles. Local restaurants are already under severe strain, and this Ordinance would jeopardize our very existence.

California law already requires that I provide my employees extensive workplace rights notices and training on topics like workplace violence, sexual harassment, health and safety, food safety and various other employment rights including workplace rights.

Family-owned businesses like mine would bear the financial burden of this unnecessary Ordinance, and further singling out local restaurant owners and minority-owned small businesses - yet again - is unjustified and unfair.

We simply can't survive new costly mandates. Local restaurants can't afford it, and it's misaligned with the preferences of workers. For these reasons, I respectfully urge you to PROTECT LA restaurants and REJECT the Costly Restaurant Ordinance. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Danny Leon
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