



A joint Resolution of Support by The Coalition of Miami-Dade County Chambers of Commerce, along with our active local member Chambers of Commerce organizations signed below, requests Miami-Dade Mayor Carlos Gimenez to extend the curfew from 10:00 PM to midnight in our County.

WHEREAS, The Coalition of Miami-Dade County Chambers of Commerce recognizes that as part of the County's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, a 10:00 PM curfew was instituted by our County Mayor under his emergency powers to encourage social distancing and healthy habits; and,

WHEREAS, the County Mayor continued the curfew as a way to reduce social engagement at private house parties and large social gatherings; and,

WHEREAS, the current reality is that our restaurants, and the impact they make on our local economy, have been unfairly damaged by this policy and all collectively believe that the virus does not spread more after 10:00 PM than before; and,

WHEREAS, the restaurant community is comprised of frontline, essential personnel: chefs, waiters, line cooks and prep cooks, managers, hosts, bussers, expeditors and many others who drive this industry sector; and,

WHEREAS, the restaurant industry is also the end user of the supply chain that employs drivers, warehouse workers, shippers and ultimately personnel whose products are bought from local fisheries and sourced from local farmers; therefore, these larger industries that are served by restaurants being open longer hours extend far beyond just the restaurant workers; and,

WHEREAS, the majority of all of those employed in the restaurant sector - from the waiter to the farmer to the delivery staff - are in jeopardy of losing their livelihoods, homes and future; and,

WHEREAS, the simple extension of the curfew by two additional hours allows thousands of extra meals to be served weekly without creating any additional risk to our county population.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, The Coalition of Miami-Dade Coalition County Chambers of Commerce, as well as our local Chamber community signed below, endorses this Resolution of Support for our restaurant industry, and fully and strongly encourages County Mayor Gimenez to immediately extend the curfew to midnight to help save our restaurant community.

Steve Adkins, President, Miami-Dade Gay and Lesbian Chamber; Co-Chair, The Coalition of Miami-Dade County Chambers of Commerce

Mark A. Trowbridge, President, Coral Gables Chamber of Commerce; Co-Chair, The Coalition of Miami-Dade County Chambers of Commerce

Elaine Adler, President, Aventura Marketing Council and Chamber of Commerce

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Wendy Kallergis, President, Greater Miami and Beaches Hotel Association

Eric Knowles, President, Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce

Armando "Mandy" Llanes, Jr., President, Hialeah Chamber of Commerce & Industry

Jerry Libbin, President, Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce