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April Sands

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Food trucks are a wonderful option in most major cities in the United States and around the world. If Washington, DC truly wants to be a "world class" city, it should offer convenient and diverse food options. Not everyone wants to go inside to a restaurant to get food. These trucks are wonderful because they are where the people are--out on the street. Food trucks are a quick and easy way to get a bite to eat.

Competition is good--let the people have a say on whether or not lunch trucks survive, not competing businesses.

Thank you,

Keisha Hargo  
2600 Sherman Ave., NW  
Washington, DC 20001

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Thank you,

Ken Rahaim

I work by L'Enfant Plaza, and there is large deficiency in food options near my office. It has taken so long to finally bring diversity to food trucks in the city, please don't take it away or limit it!

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Anca Dumitrescu

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Thank you  
Joshua Drew

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The mobile food vendors offer an amazing service that you can not find in any restaurants. Every time I visit them they brighten my day, I would be very sad to see them go. Especially at a time of such economic problems in the country, it would be really unfortunate to lose a destination for food that is delicious, exciting, filling and cheap all at the same time - restaurants definitely don't offer it.

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Ian Bomberg

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Thank you,

Sandra Roush



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Thank you,

Brooke Salkoff

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Thank you,

Nancy Berkowitz

I am a DC resident writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value to consumers. The variety of food trucks that can now be found across the city has been a great asset to residents, workers, and tourists and we should continue to encourage healthy, multi-ethnic food options for people looking for an affordable lunch on-the-go.

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Thank you,

Kristen Hartke  
Ward 6 Resident

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Jennifer Evans-Muir

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Janis McLean

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Thank you,  
Tiffany Neely

I am writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value to consumers.

Please do not allow the introduction of any discriminatory language into these regulations that would limit mobile vendors or food trucks. DC is a great food city, and food trucks are a big part of that culture.

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Thank you,

Maria-Paz Barrientos

I am writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value to consumers.

A city the size of DC needs to encourage and enable diverse choices and price points for ready-to-eat food items. Where I work, we have only a few lunchtime choices within walking distance, and some of those are not particularly budget-friendly. Food trucks are a welcome addition to the selection. Many large US cities are known for their wide variety of street food choices - DC with its diverse population ought to be one of them.

Please pass the regulations as written and do not allow discriminatory language to be added that would shut down or severely impact these small businesses.

Sincerely,

Deb Nixon



I am a resident in DC and I'm writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value to consumers.

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Thank you,

Robert Friedman

I am writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value to consumers.

As a DC resident and someone who works downtown, where there is a dearth of affordable and creative food options, these trucks are both a savior and add character to the downtown area.

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Thank you,

Robin Keeley

I am writing as a DC resident who lives at 2001 12th St NW (12th and U) and works in Penn Quarter (601 Pennsylvania Ave NW). The food options in the area, especially in Penn Quarter, can be pricey and often packed even for a quick bite (have you seen the lines at Chop't, Potbelly, Chipotle etc.?!?!).

I hope you will pass Title 24 as these food trucks add value and variety to both neighborhoods and my experiences with them have always been positive and delicious. It would be a shame for a vibrant city like DC to not have these food trucks that offer a quick and affordable option for those who work/live here daily. Please pass Title 24 and help small businesses stay in business and members of the community to new and exciting food choices!

Thank you,

Hannah Yoo

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Carolyn Burnett

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Thank you,

Tiffany D. Adams

Don't take away our cupcakes, our pizza, and our lobster rolls. It is part of the charm of this city and a revenue source for those with the entrepreneurial spirit.

Robert James

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Thank you,

Greg Lavalley  
1445 P St, NW  
Washington, DC 20005



Please don't stop our vendor options. We don't have enough eateries by the Navy Yard and I love my Curbside Cupcakes and the popcorn stand that we have down here in SW Washington, DC it gives us a variety of options to snack on. I vote yes to keep the vendor option.

YES on 24!!!!

Donyelle Wester

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Thank you.

Vikram Widge

A tax paying full time DC resident - continuously since June 1986

I am writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value to consumers.

I work in DC and like the increased variety of food choices that I have for snacks and lunch with the food trucks. The service is great and the food is even better!

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Angela Pritchett

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Thank you,

Melissa Bowers

Please approve the DCRA vending regulations that will allow the DC Food Trucks to continue to operate. They have been an excellent addition to the DC food scene, especially in the Union Station area where most of the food is terrible tourist food. I grew up in Philly where there is a long tradition of food trucks. I would like to see a similar tradition start down here.

Nat Gordon-Clark

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Rachael Mangum

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SheShana Veney

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Cara Brennan  
Maryland resident, DC lover

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Thank you,

Emily Booth  
Shaw resident

I am writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value to consumers. I have having the street trucks and believe that they are doing a lot to make our city unique and provide interesting food options to workers and residents.

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Rebecca McGrath

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Thank you,

Stephanie Hinderks



My name is Leland Morris and I am a District resident and President of Red Hook Lobster Pound DC which is a brand new, DC-based food truck operation. I am writing to support the current proposed revisions to DCRA Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value to consumers.

We have been in operation on the streets of DC for only 4 days, though planning and development has been underway for the past 8 months. Since we opened last Thursday, we have served fresh Maine lobster and shrimp rolls to over 1000 customers. On our opening day at Farragut Square, people waited in line for over 2 hours to purchase our food.

Even though we have been in business only a very short time, we have over 4,100 followers on Twitter and over 1,100 fans on Facebook. We believe this large customer base is a testament to the uniqueness and quality of our food offering and to the pent-up demand for new and different choices for lunch and dinner in the District.

We and others in the city are pioneering an entirely new business model based on unique, very high quality food offered in a fun and exciting way. In fact, based on our research, we believe that the District currently has the most vibrant and growing "street food" scene in the entire country. Other small businesses like ours such as Curbside Cupcake, DCSlices, Sauca, Fojol Bros. EatWonky and TaKorean are contributing to a new, mobile, culinary revolution in the District, a revolution that could see an early demise if the proposed regulations are not adopted. Such an unfortunate development would likely mean the loss of hundreds of thousands of dollars in investment in equipment and vehicles by small, District-based companies such as ours.

The benefits to the District of adopting regulations that continue to allow businesses such as ours to operate throughout the city, on the other hand, should be obvious. In addition to providing consumers in the District more and varied choices for eating, our businesses employ District residents. For example, our company is currently looking to immediately hire at least two full time employees. In addition, assuming our business continues to grow, we expect to purchase another truck and hopefully open a storefront operation. As you undoubtedly know, small businesses are the primary economic engine that will drive the economy into recovery. The adoption of regulations that negatively impact our ability to grow will not only challenge our ability to keep our existing, DC-based workers employed but also prevent us from hiring additional DC workers and fueling that engine.

In addition, building a city fabric that is vibrant, new and appealing to non-food service workers and employers alike will help keep businesses in the District and will attract new businesses to locate here. The new generation of mobile vendors and food trucks that we represent are an integral part of that fabric, especially with a younger generation that is connected, mobile, active, engaged and looking for unique and fun experiences in the city where they live and work. As alluded to above, the District is gaining a national reputation as the "hot" place to be to enjoy the new wave of exciting street food choices. The proposed regulations are rightfully designed in part to encourage these developments and they should be adopted.

Similarly, mobile vendors and food trucks are uniquely able to bring life to otherwise "dead" areas in the city, or areas where there may not yet be enough density or economic activity to

support traditional storefront restaurants. Our company intends to regularly visit less developed areas of the city in an effort to grow our business and satisfy the eating demands of somewhat stranded workers and residents. For example, we held our launch party in the Capitol Riverfront BID and intend to frequent other growing BIDs across the city. In order to be able to afford to do that, however, we obviously need to be able to vend in the more established areas of the city as well. It hardly seems fair for food trucks to be relegated to developing parts of the city and to help make these markets attractive to developers and other food establishments, only to be prevented from vending there once the areas are developed. The adoption of regulations that unfairly discriminate against mobile vendors and food trucks in this manner should be discouraged.

Finally, our company does not see the value in pitting one group of small businesses (mobile vendors and food trucks) against another group of small businesses (storefront bars and restaurants) in writing the new regulations.

Our view is that mobile and storefront establishments can not only coexist but thrive in the marketplace under the current proposed regulations. For example, we have no desire to park our truck in front of a storefront restaurant to take business from them. Why create an unnecessarily antagonistic relationship? To the contrary, we are looking to form partnerships with storefront bars and restaurants in creative ways that benefit both of our businesses. For example, we have already approached a bar/restaurant that has a weekly evening event about parking outside their store and cross-promoting the event to our lists of respective patrons to attract more customers than either of us would have alone. We also believe there are opportunities for cross-promotion through the use of discount coupons and other promotions handed out to all of our customers promoting the storefront business and vice-versa. The basic and obvious idea is to work together to grow the pool of customers rather than to fight over a share of existing customers.

For these reasons, we encourage the City Council to adopt the regulations as written as they offer a fair, balanced and non-discriminatory approach to vending that will allow the District to continue to play a role as a national leader in the street food revolution and to reap the benefits associated with that role.

Sincerely,

Leland Morris

President  
Red hook Lobster Pound DC  
RHLP-DC, LLC  
1235 Linden Pl. NE  
Washington, DC 20002

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Thank you,

You

Garth Elmore

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Thank you,

Colibri Jenkins

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Please do not allow the introduction of any discriminatory language into these regulations that would limit mobile vendors or food trucks. They offer a healthy variety at a much more affordable price than many of the brick and mortar establishments around the Golden Triangle, where I work.

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Thank you,

Maria Dabrowski

I am writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5, which will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value to consumers.

Mobile food vendors have greatly increased the availability and diversity of quality food for office workers in the District. Checking which trucks will be in our area has become a daily ritual. The food trucks of DC have received national news coverage. We are rapidly joining Los Angeles and New York as centers of vibrant street food.

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Thank you,

Barbara Weitbrecht

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LaDonna E. Ghee

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Ginger Weingarten



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Nimat Naderi