

2021 **BOROUGH OF DUMONT** RESOLUTION

Restaurant Outdoor Dining
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Certified as a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough of Dumont on above date at a Regular Meeting by: Susan Cornelly

Susan Connelly, RMC, Municipal Clerk Borough of Dumont, Bergen County, New Jersey

APPROVAL OF ROAD CLOSURES FOR RESTAURANT OUTDOOR DINING

WHEREAS, there exists a State of Emergency arising from the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, various Executive Orders have been issued from the Governor to limit the spread of the virus; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Orders limit businesses from operating, including restaurants serving diners and have been the subject of amendment from time to time; and

WHEREAS, the restaurants in Dumont comprise a vital element of the Borough's community and anchor the Borough's business district; and

WHEREAS, the Borough previously adopted Resolution 2020-123 (revised) which allowed outdoor dining as set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, such outdoor dining proved sufficiently popular as to promote business and maintain the vitality of the Borough's dining options; and

WHEREAS, several restaurateurs have asked that Resolution 2020-123 (revised) be implemented again this year in light of the ongoing State of Emergency so that they may to be permitted to have outdoor dining on sidewalks and roadways because they lack sufficient outdoor space to serve patrons; and

WHEREAS, the spread of the virus has been declining and vaccine rollout is increasing; and

WHEREAS, it appears that business may become normal in a phased approach; and

WHEREAS, the Borough recognizes the intense need of its local restaurants to commence and maintain operations to preserve their businesses and the Borough's business district;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough of Dumont:

The following roadways shall be closed so as to create open space to permit outdoor dining, allowing sufficient spacing between patrons on the following roadways initially: Grant Avenue, Veterans Plaza and Park Avenue; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED other roadways may be similarly closed pending request from restaurants who so desire such closure and review and approval by the Mayor after consultation with Police Chief (or his designee), Emergency Services and the DPW Superintendent.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the precise locations of closure in the roadways shall be made by the Mayor in consultation with the Police Chief (or his designee), Emergency Services and the DPW Superintendent regarding including the placement of necessary traffic control devices.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the closures may occur during different hours as determined by the Mayor after consultation with the Police Chief (or his designee), Emergency Services and DPW Superintendent and all such closures shall be posted on the Borough Website and Borough Social Media as soon as practical after determined so as to apprise the community of the closures.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that no permit, fee or variance shall be required for outdoor dining on the aforementioned roadways during the time that this resolution remains in effect.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall expire on November 1, 2021 or earlier by further resolution of the Borough.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that temporary outdoor fans and heaters may be used, provided same are removed from the public roadways when the outdoor dining areas are not being used.

Andrew LaBruno, Mayor