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In a 3-2 vote, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors chose to support the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health's [new order](#) to shut down outdoor dining at LA County Restaurants for the next three weeks.

Business organizations, restaurants and city councilmembers sent letters, called board offices and testified at the Board meeting today - asking the Supervisors to intervene and not move forward with the orders.

Supervisors Kathryn Barger and Janice Hahn spoke out against the new health orders, citing the lack of evidence outdoor dining is leading to the current spike in COVID-19 cases. They made a motion to keep outdoor dining open, but was opposed by the other three supervisors.

BizFed would like to thank Chair Kathryn Barger and Supervisor Janice Hahn for standing up for LA County restaurants.

BizFed also joined the **California Business Roundtable**, **California Retailers Association**, **California Business Properties Association** and the **Orange County Business Council** in a statement opposing the new state and local orders. The statement can be read below.



Statewide Business Community Demands New Strategies to Deal with COVID Surges

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SACRAMENTO—As the state today announced more counties are moving back in its colored tier structure and as Los Angeles County public health officials announced that all restaurants must stop in-person dining, a coalition of state and regional business organizations today issued the following statement:

“Surges like the one we are in right now will continue for the foreseeable future, even as hope of a vaccine is on the horizon. The restrictions imposed by the Blueprint for a Safer Economy, while well-intentioned, are not sustainable for the duration of this pandemic. It is time to meet with industry leaders, review the data and new knowledge gained since March and create a more strategic and surgical approach to stop the spread of the virus without destroying jobs, the economy and the California Dream for millions of families. California can choose to advance both good health and a strong economy.

“Our government leaders should pay attention to actions taken by the [National Retail Federation](#) and [California Restaurant Association](#), which are demanding critically important contact tracing data that will help lead a science-based discussion on ways to keep our economy open and providing jobs and paychecks for millions of working men and women, especially during the upcoming holiday season.”

The coalition includes the **California Business Roundtable, California Retailers Association, California Business Properties Association, Los Angeles Business Federation (BizFed)** and the **Orange County Business Council**.

We hope you find this information valuable. If you have any questions regarding the new order, please contact sarah.wiltfong@bizfed.org.

Sincerely,



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