

In regard to the restrictions imposed on restaurants we feel it's completely unfair and there is no bases which we can see as to why we would be singled out for closures. We have seen a 30% reduction in revenue the last year due to the shut down and "take out only" durations. You can go into a hardware store (Lowe's, Home Depot's etc.) or craft store (JoAnn's, Michael's, Hobby Lobby) in groves. The stores can often be packed. People touch all items on shelves and put them back. No one is walking behind them wiping these "touched" items off. A restaurant is constantly cleaning, wiping everything down, 50% capacity, masks until you are seated. It's absolutely ridiculous. No science shows outbreaks have been a problem from restaurants. Why aren't you shutting down the companies with outbreaks. Swanson mill in Glendale had 26 people one week and 16 the next week contract and test positive for COVID. Why are they allowed to remain open? We haven't had a single case at our business since this pandemic started. Why are we only allowed to be at 50% while craft stores have no limits on people? The impact this has had on our family and the employees we were able to employ and their families is huge. Our staff has been cut drastically. We had to let people go that really needed their job. We still haven't been able to hire them back. We are going to fight to stay open. We have been in business for 20 years. This is the first time we have ever had a decrease in business. It's absolutely ridiculous. If the wage of the Governor was decreased by 50% I'm sure she wouldn't be pleased. I think she should have a reduction in wage to really relate to what's happening. She is completely out of touch with most of Oregon and that's a sad thing. If she was actually concerned with how this has affected Oregon businesses she would have done something different by now.