



# *MISSOURI* Restaurant News

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**Note from Missouri Restaurant Association:** During the COVID-19 pandemic the National Restaurant Association's Sean Kennedy has been the confident voice of the restaurant industry before Congress and the White House. The message below is from Sean.

Below Sean's words, MRA provides another opportunity to take a brief survey on how the pandemic is impacting you and your business. To effectively advocate for Missouri restaurants, we need your information. The survey takes just a few minutes.



## Big News on Fixes to PPP

Together, our calls for Congress to fix the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) on behalf of the restaurant industry are making a difference. On Wednesday, House lawmakers will vote to approve **bipartisan legislation** that will make real changes in PPP, extending the period restaurants can use to spend federal loans, giving more flexibility in how the loans are used, and extending the date that restaurants can bring their teams back online.

For over six weeks, we have worked with you and our **state restaurant association** partners to push Congress to finally make the PPP work for an industry that has seen **more job loss** than any other during this pandemic. This week's scheduled vote is proof-positive that together, **we can make a difference**.

We thank House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) and Republican Leader Kevin McCarthy (R-CA) for their bipartisan leadership in supporting this measure, and Representatives Chip Roy (R-TX) and Dean Phillips (D-MN) for drafting this needed legislation.

The Senate is considering how to fix the PPP – and we will need your voice to press for them to finish the job. Stay tuned for an update after the House vote and a call-to-action to move a real PPP fix through the Senate.

Happy Memorial Day – and thank you for fighting for the future of the restaurant industry!

Sean Kennedy

## How is COVID-19 impacting you? Take this brief survey.

As MRA and NRA continue to advocate on behalf of the restaurant industry, we must be able to quantify and further illustrate the economic impact that the coronavirus is having on restaurants in Missouri and America. Your input is vital to allow us to have statistically-valid information for our state and the nation.

The National Restaurant Association Research Group developed its latest brief survey designed to collect essential data to inform our ongoing advocacy activities. Please take a few minutes to **complete the survey** and help us advocate for the most robust possible relief package.

TAKE THE SURVEY

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