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Restaurant and Bar Owners,

Governor Pritzker along with the Illinois Department of Commerce has developed guidelines for Restaurants and Bars to have limited outdoor seating as part of his Phase III of Restore Illinois Plan. I realize many of you have been shut down for business or have had limited business for several weeks and this has created a financial hardship on you.

The City of Mattoon wants to work with you and your business as you begin to gradually return to normal. The guidelines established by the Governor's directive must be followed. The City of Mattoon will work with the restaurants and bars on how to make your plans comply with the guidelines and with the Coles County Health Department. A few restaurants and bars have submitted plans to City Hall and are working with us to meet the necessary guidelines. A sketch or simple plan is required to be approved by the City and the Health Department before implementing any new outdoor seating. Should you have questions, please call the Code Enforcement office at 234-7367 or if there is no answer the City Clerk's Office at 235-5654.

Thank you,

Tim Gover, Mayor

