

Prince George's County, Maryland Inter-Office Memorandum Office of Law

LEGISLATIVE COMMENT

DATE: June 23, 2021

TO: Robert J. Williams, Jr., Council Administrator

COW Committee

THRU: Rhonda L. Weaver, County Attorney

THRU: Joseph C. Ruddy, Deputy County Attorney

FROM: Sakinda Skinner, Associate County Attorney

RE: CR-69-2021 (DR-1)

The Office of Law reviewed the above referenced **Resolution** and finds it to be in proper legislative form. Technical edits were provided to Council staff. The Office of Law sees no legal impediments to its adoption.

Please Note: CR-69-2021 seeks an extension of temporary restaurant seating authorization that was first authorized in CR-48-2020. CR-48-2020 was adopted as a result of the Maryland Governor's declaration of State of Emergency and the County's emergency declarations. In the event the State or County emergency declaration is lifted, the County Council will need to make the appropriate amendment(s) in CR-69-2021 to reflect this change.

Also, if the County Council intends to permanently suspend certain restrictions on outdoor seating arising under Subtitle 27 of the Prince George's County Code, being also the Prince George's County Zoning Ordinance, outside of a State or County emergency status (I.e., COVID-19 pandemic), the County Council should consider enacting such legislation via enactment of a Council Bill.