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I am hoping this will help you make a better decision.

Thank you.

Best regards,

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Via email to sbcob@countyofsb.org

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
105 East Anapamu St., #406
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Re: Act Now to Save All Aspects of the Health of the Santa Barbara Community.

Dear Board of Supervisors,

The Board of Supervisors must act now before many of our businesses fail. It is possible for them to eke out a living, if they are allowed to open enough to function in their business. Masks, retail-guests one at a time or if a bigger store than 1 person every 6-8 feet, (with a mask when inside or walking by many people). They cant do as much business but they will at least be 50% of the way there that can go toward everyone's living expenses, rather than lose everything.

State St. Restaurant spaces are cavernous and large, most 100-125' deep like many State St. stores. (I have been practicing retail leasing in Santa Barbara for 40 years). It is imperative, effective immediately you allow them to put spaced tables on the sidewalk. You need to close State Street for pedestrians so people can space out in the street. This is urgent. Otherwise, every single one will not be able to survive, to be able to pay their rent and costs to live.

Though some businesses could open on Friday, was too restrictive at this date and with the amount of cases we have here. After almost two months of a shutdown, small businesses cannot hold on any longer. Therefore, I ask the Board of Supervisors to eliminate the uncertainty and adopt a common-sense and scientific plan that opens many aspects of the local economy by June 1st.

Any further delay will continue to devastate the physical, mental, emotional, educational, and financial health of our community.

Sincerely,

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