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Senate Deputy Leader Gianaris Visits Astoria Businesses With Save Our Storefronts Coalition

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ASTORIA – Senate Deputy Leader Michael Gianaris joined the Save our Storefronts coalition to visit small businesses throughout Astoria on Friday. The visits came just days after the Senate passed a commercial eviction moratorium and other measures aimed at helping small businesses survive during the covid-19 pandemic.

"Earlier this week we passed a small business relief package that is just a down payment on what they need to survive," said **Senate Deputy Leader Michael Gianaris.** "I was pleased to spend the afternoon talking to local entrepreneurs with the Save our Storefronts coalition to discuss what more needs to be done."

Senator Gianaris was joined by Assembly Member Zohran Mamdani as they visited businesses throughout Astoria. On Tuesday, the Senate <u>passed a series of measures</u> aimed at protecting small businesses, including a commercial eviction moratorium.

"Hearing the concerns of Astoria small business owners with the Save our Storefronts coalition was powerful, said **Assembly Member Zohran K. Mamdani.** "It is vital that we not only pass bills that prevent eviction, but also prioritize a budget that gives them the financial relief they so desperately need."

For photos of the tour, click here.