



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Edward A. Rath III

Repeal of Food with Drink Order Mandate

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Statement from Senator Ed Rath

“While I am extremely happy for our restaurants that these arbitrary mandates are being repealed, it has taken far too long. It should never have had to come to lawsuits and court hearings for our restaurants to be able to operate. The industry has struggled for over a year, at no fault of their own, and the State should be doing everything they can to aid them in their recoveries. Instead, we are seeing the State continue to place unnecessary and cumbersome burdens on our restaurants and

bars.

We owe a huge thank you to our amazing restaurants throughout Upstate who have adapted and continued to serve our communities throughout the pandemic. During such a chaotic and stressful year, for many being able to order their favorite dish from their local restaurant was a much-needed sense of normal.”