THE RESTAURANT REVITALIZATION FUND (RRF) has been a critical lifeline for restaurants across the country, helping them rebuild from the damaging effects of pandemic-related revenue loss. The RRF ran out of money in July, leaving nearly 200,000 eligible restaurants without desperately needed funds.

Restaurants are restoring indoor dining, but they remain in dire need of assistance. A smaller workforce, rising food and payroll prices, increased occupancy costs, and additional debt place greater financial strains on restaurants already struggling. Restaurants are not like other retail stores, operating on very small margins — often with just 16 days of cash on hand.

From fueling job growth to investing in local communities, RESTAURANTS ARE ENGINES OF THE ECONOMY. EVERY $1 SPENT IN THE FOODSERVICE INDUSTRY GENERATES AN ADDITIONAL $2 FOR FARMING, FISHING, BAKING AND OTHER RELATED INDUSTRIES. Yet, they will continue to struggle unless Congress replenishes the RRF.

For more information on the RRF and its impact on restaurants, visit restaurantsact.com.