To whom it may concern,

We, Aspara located at 130 Congress Street, are pleased to be writing a letter of support for outside dining that occurs on Congress Street each year. We also fully support The Goat in its capacity to provide outside dining to the area each year.

Thank you,

Thomas MoND

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OWNER OF APSARA

1/23/2023

To whom it may concern,

We, Paul Mitchell The School, directly abut The Goat on Congress Street and support outside dining.

Thank you,

Signature

Peter Muccia

Hello! I am the owner of Moonshine which is located at 130 Congress st, and a long time Portsmouth resident, I really love love love the outdoor seating and I hope it continues as it's a huge draw to tourists and locals alike.

It was mentioned to me that the city thinks it might be a hazard, from what I see it's the opposite. Working here I see people zooming down congress st all year and I have noticed a huge change when the seating zone is in place. It slows everyone down and that's good for the people dining but also all the pedestrians. I'd like to also address the fact it creates a bit of a loading zone in front of the shops between Nahcotta and Apsara which slows traffic way down and allows more safe space for walking pedestrians and unloading folks that may not be able to walk from the parking areas.

I know its a huge lift to all businesses as it draws so many people here and keeps them wanting to come back and visit.

In summary:

It massively slows down traffic
Creates a safe 'loading zone' for all the businesses on the end of Congress
Huge draw for tourists and locals
Generally lovely and enjoyable

Please continue to let Portsmouth thrive this year and let us all feel the sun on our face as much as possible.

Moonshine

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