

A RESOLUTION

25-546

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 25, 2024

To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to extend the hours of operation, sale, service, and consumption of alcoholic beverages for on-premises retailers, manufacturers holding an on-site sales and consumption permit, and temporary license holders for the 2024 Summer Olympics and Paralympic Games, and the All Night and Dine All Night events, to allow and establish indoor and outdoor entertainment hours for businesses that register with the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board for the Art All Night and Dine All Night events, and to allow non-alcohol licensees that hold a valid certificate of occupancy to register with the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board to sell, serve, and permit the consumption of alcoholic beverages during the Art All Night and Dine All Night events.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “2024 Summer Olympics, Paralympic Games, Art All Night, and Dine All Night Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2024”.

Sec. 2. (a) The 2024 Summer Olympic Games will be held in Paris, France between July 26, 2024 and August 11, 2024. The 2024 Paralympic Games will also be held in Paris, France between August 28, 2024 and September 8, 2024. In both events, thousands of athletes will compete in a series of international multisport competitions.

(b) The Art All Night event takes place this year on September 27, 2024 and September 28, 2024. Art All Night allows residents and visitors to enjoy performing and visual arts throughout the District’s business corridors and view local artists on the center stage. Art All Night, which is organized by the Department of Small and Local Business Development (“DSLBD”), has grown since 2011 to over 20 participating neighborhoods located in all 8 wards with over 180,000 attendees from across the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia region.

(c) The District will hold the second annual Dine All Night event from September 19, 2024 through September 29, 2024. Dine All Night is an all-night dining and culinary event organized by DSLBD that involves qualifying restaurants and food establishments. Dine All Night provides residents and visitors with an opportunity to enjoy the boundless creativity and artistic skills of our local chefs and mixologists.

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(d) The emergency legislation will allow restaurants, food establishments, and other businesses to participate in these events and to extend their hours of operation to 24 hours a day, including offering alcoholic beverages between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 4:00 a.m. for sale, service, and consumption. Businesses participating in Art All Night or Dine All Night may offer outdoor entertainment until 11 p.m. and indoor entertainment until 2 a.m. during those dates that they are registered with DSLBD to participate. Businesses participating in Art All Night or Dine All Night with a valid certificate of occupancy may sell, serve, and permit the consumption of alcoholic beverages during those dates that they are registered with DSLBD to participate.

(e) The emergency legislation requires licensees and eligible businesses to register with the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration and the Metropolitan Police Department by July 25, 2024, prior to the start of the 2024 Summer Olympic Games and 2024 Paralympic Games, and by September 26, 2024, prior to the start of Art All Night, to allow for the advance planning of staffing and resources. Consequently, it is necessary for the Council to consider the legislation on an emergency basis.

Sec. 3. The Council determines that the circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the 2024 Summer Olympics, Paralympic Games, Art All Night, and Dine All Night Emergency Amendment Act of 2024 be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.