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## CITY OF CHICAGO STATEMENT ON EXPANDED OUTDOOR DINING ON CLARK STREET

**CHICAGO** – The City of Chicago is pleased to announce the issuance of a permit allowing expanded outdoor dining on Clark Street that balances the needs of residents, businesses, workers, visitors, and the local community.

The Chicago Department of Transportation issued a permit allowing curb lane closures along Clark Street between Grand Avenue and Kinzie Street that allows food establishments the opportunity to extend their dining areas into the sidewalk and parking lane, also known as the curb lane, without fully closing Clark Street to vehicle traffic.

The format will give participating restaurants extra capacity and create an inviting outdoor space for dining, while taking into account the need for accessibility and traffic flow in the River North community.

This permit is effective immediately and will remain valid until October 31, 2024.

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