



Significant Fixes to PPP!

In a bright moment amidst an awful week for this country, we are pleased to announce that Congress has finally fixed the Paycheck Protection Program.

The PPP has helped countless businesses, but we are an industry with a particularly uncertain path to recovery and it simply hasn't worked for us.

Alaska CHARR and the National Restaurant Association were some of the first [to call for fixes to PPP](#) to preserve our imperiled industry. With the strength of your voice, Congress has finally acted. The Senate just passed the [Paycheck Protection Flexibility Act](#), legislation that would extend deadlines and relax restrictions on how loans are used. The president is expected to sign the bill very soon.

In an era where political discord is the norm and agreement is fleeting, the voice of the hospitality industry has been a unifying theme. This bill passed because Congress heard from us loudly, clearly, and

consistently. We appreciate the bipartisan work of Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY) and Democratic Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY).

We especially appreciate Senators Lisa Murkowski and Dan Sullivan and their teams for their continued outreach, support, concern, and representation of Alaska hospitality businesses and entrepreneurs.

Alaska is unique in many ways, including in this crisis – our businesses have been impacted and will continue to be effected in ways and at levels that businesses in other states aren't. Our senators spoke loudly and fought tirelessly to ensure that legislation would be meaningful and useful to Alaskan business owners. Please take a moment to contact [Senator Murkowski](#) and [Senator Sullivan](#) to thank them for their efforts.

The PPP has been fixed for many, but our industry faces ongoing challenges and must stay engaged in Washington. We have advanced a [number of initiatives](#), and we will seek your input on how policymakers can provide continued relief to hospitality businesses in these uncertain times.

Today's action in Congress is a big win, and we cannot thank you enough for answering the call to action.

[Industry Call Information](#)

We will be hosting an industry call on **Thursday, June 4** at **10:00am**, featuring Deputy Commissioner John Springsteen of the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development. He will be providing updates and available to answer questions about the Alaska CARES Grant Program and will welcome your feedback on the application process.

We would love to see your smiling face there!

[Link to June 4 Call Invitation](#)

Meeting ID: 896 0157 6116

Password: CHARR

or

Call in at 1-253-215-8782
Meeting ID: 896 0157 6116
Password: 706151

National ProStart Invitational Information

While we wish the National ProStart Invitational #NPSI2020 could have taken place in Washington, D.C. as planned, high school students from all around the country will be able to get together for NPSI Live!

The online event will feature giveaways, celebrity appearances, state competition highlights, and more!

Mark your calendars for June 4, 2020 at 2:00pm.

For additional event information, check out the link below.

[NPSI Live](#)

ABC Board Meeting

The next regular ABC Board meeting will take place next week, where the board will be reviewing applications and discussing whether some of the emergency actions are still necessary. Our team has been emphasizing to the AMCO staff the necessity for expeditious approvals to temporary licensed premises changes, particularly those that would expand into outdoor areas. If you have hoped to apply for such changes, you should consider calling into the meeting. Meeting and call-in information is provided below, and AMCO will be uploading the meeting agenda to its [homepage](#) later this week.

Date: June 9, 2020

Time: 9:00am

Telephonic: 1-800-315-6338 Access Code 69173

Alaska CHARR Membership

Have you appreciated all the resources CHARR has provided during this crisis? Consider becoming a member so that we can continue to provide you the most up-to-date information and resources in addition to our regular fantastic benefits. Contact Rory McAllister, our Membership & Gaming Manager, for more information at 907-274-8133 or rmcallister@alaskacharr.com.

Help us in the fight to #saveAKhospitality! Together, we are #alaskastrong.

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