## Canalside Restaurant Inn & Kitchen Store

To: Port Colborne City Council

Re: Patio Extention all year round

## Hello Council

In the Past few months Canalside Restaurant has add awnings and patio heaters in conjunction with Tourism Adaptation & Recovery Fund. This program thru the Niagara region is helping business expand as well as extend a safe environment for customers in dealing with covid. The Canalside has invested a fair amount of money to improve the outdoor dining experience. We are asking to extend the patio season along the sidewalk in front of Canalside Restaurant for use all year round.

With the new rules coming into place on Wednesday Sept 22, non vaccinated citizens will no longer be allowed inside to dine. The patio is the only place where they are able to dining and we do not no how long this will continue. Even after the pandemic is over we plan on still offering a cosy warm dining experience, weather permitting on our patio. We feel that this new outdoor year round dinning is a benefit to both our business and the community as well. This will also allow residents who walk there dog to have an area to stop no matter what time of year it is and enjoy a bite or beverage overlooking the canal.

The Canalside has been taking care of its own snow removal for 15 years now and will continue to make sure that the area is clear of snow and any other obstacles so that we do not impede on foot traffic in the area.

On behalf of Canalside, I thank you for taking the time on this matter and am excited to see your community expand and accommodate both tourist and our citizens not only in the summer months but in every season.

Sincerely,

**Greg Poisson** 

Owner Canalside Restaurant Inn & Kitchen store

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