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Dear Mr. Custard,

The Restaurant Association of Metropolitan Washington supports the adoption of the 2013 Food Code in Alexandria. The FDA updates the Food Code every few years to reflect the most current scientific knowledge and new technologies. The revision is done with input from the Conference for Food Protection which represents industry, academia and the regulatory community. Alexandria is currently operating under the 2005 Food Code. The proposed ordinance will update the most recent version 2013 Food Code.

Furthermore, RAMW staff has reviewed the proposed ordinance with Alexandria Health Department and RAMW supports the changes in the Food Code as presented at our meetings.

Arlington County has already adopted the 2013 Food Code and therefore the adoption by Alexandria will create a uniform regional policy.

Public food safety is a critical issue and we are pleased to work in collaboration with the Environmental Health Department of Alexandria.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K Hollinger', written in a cursive style.

Kathy Hollinger, President & CEO RAMW

