### Georgia COVID-19
Restaurant Impact Snapshot

#### Restaurant Industry THEN
(March 1, 2020)

- **18,933** Eating and drinking place locations in Georgia in 2019
- **$24.9 billion** Estimated sales in Georgia restaurants in 2019
- **500,000** Restaurant and foodservice jobs in Georgia in 2020 = 15% of employment in the state

#### Restaurant Industry NOW
(April 16, 2020)

- **BETWEEN MARCH 1 - APRIL 16***
  - **52%** of operators temporarily closed their restaurant
  - **91%** of operators who laid off or furloughed employees
- **BETWEEN MARCH 1 - APRIL 16***
  - **$1,700 million** Restaurant sales lost in April due to COVID-19 outbreak
  - **297,000** restaurant employees laid off or furloughed since COVID-19 outbreak

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Support the Industry that serves us all. We need Congress to provide the industry with relief — now! Text RECOVERY to 52886

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*Source: National Restaurant Association, national survey of more than 6,500 restaurant operators conducted April 10-16*
“The pizzeria I work for is a family owned business that has had to cut hours for most employees. We have stopped all dine-in service effectively rendering us bartenders and servers without income.”

Restaurant employee, Lawrenceville

“I work as a pastry chef for a restaurant I love. We operate as a family and have been severely impacted by this. We are hoping to find some relief because right now putting food on the table is something we are uncertain of how long we will be able to do. Please help us.”

Restaurant employee, Smyrna

“We are a small, family-owned coffee bar. We are still open for takeout, but we don’t know for how long. It is an hour-by-hour situation. Without significant assistance to meet fixed expenses, we will be out of business.”

Restaurant operator, Augusta

“The restaurant industry is one of low margins, tight cash flow, and a workforce that depends on us for their livelihood. Without aggressive and immediate action from the federal government, many restaurants that are a staple of local communities will simply never resume service.”

Restaurant employee, Atlanta

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