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**SUFFOLK CELEBRATES VIRGINIA’S TAKEOUT WEEK**

SUFFOLK, VA (April 1, 2020) Virginia Tourism Corporation and Virginia Restaurant, Lodging, and Travel Association has launched “**Virginia is for Restaurant Lovers Takeout Week**” which runs through April 5, 2020. This statewide campaign complements the ongoing efforts of Suffolk Tourism which serves as a liaison for local independent restaurants and the community. Through VisitSuffolkVa.com and various social media accounts, residents are encouraged to patronize local businesses by way of curbside service, delivery and take-out offerings. Additional support is suggested by purchasing gift cards to use at a later date, once the COVID-19 health crisis has ceased.

“This is a crucial time for our independently owned and operated businesses. Our restaurants are particularly susceptible to a fragile economy. We are encouraging folks

to ‘Love, Local – Buy, Suffolk, however they can, whenever they can,’ and to do so as safely as possible,” according to Theresa Earles, Tourism Development Manager. A convenient Suffolk Restaurant Update can be found on their website:

[http://www.visitsuffolkva.com/DocumentCenter/View/1870/COVID19\\_SuffolkRestaurantUpdate](http://www.visitsuffolkva.com/DocumentCenter/View/1870/COVID19_SuffolkRestaurantUpdate).

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