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Please. No doggie dinning. This is simply ridiculous.  
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Venice City Council  
401 W Venice Ave  
Venice FL, 34285

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Dear Mayor Holic and fellow Council Persons,

It has come to my attention that there is a move afoot to reverse a City of Venice decision to embrace the tenets of 2016 Florida Statute 509.233; allowing restauranteurs to accommodate patrons with pet dogs.

I see that as many as ten years ago this statute has specifically required restauranteurs to jump through many hoops to remain in compliance.

It seems to be a tradition in Government that when an advantage is given rules are dictated that may not be enforceable at some future date. I hope that isn't the case here.

Too many times we hear of a demand for new laws when the ones on the books are sufficient; if they were only enforced.

I urge you to allow restauranteurs to continue accepting guests with dogs; as long as they remain in compliance with FS 509.233; rather than penalize all of them, and those with pet dogs.

Sincerely,

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