

Dear Council Members,

My name is Ryan Hansel. I'm a bartender at Outta The Way Café in Derwood. I just wanted to let you all know that I am firmly against Bill 35-23. I have been in the restaurant industry for over 30 years. I rely on tips as the majority of my income. I make much more than minimum wage. If you pass this bill, it will actually decrease how much money I will make each shift I work. Please leave something that has worked for the last 50 years in place. It should be up to the servers and bartenders to decide. I know the majority of restaurant workers in Montgomery County make much more than the proposed bill would give them. If it isn't broke don't fix it. Listen to the restaurant association and I believe the majority of servers and bartenders. Most neighborhood bars and restaurants won't be able to survive if this bill gets passed. The owners will have to raise prices even more and put a service charge on everyone's bill to make up the difference in pay for their employees! Please listen to your residents and not to people who are just trying to make a name for themselves and own agendas!

Sincerely,

Ryan Hansel