



City of Loveland

April 29, 2020

Governor Mike DeWine
Riffe Center 30th Floor
77 South High Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215-6117

Re: Plan to Re-Open Certain Businesses

Dear Governor DeWine:

As the elected members of Loveland City Council, we strive to always represent the best interests of our residents and business owners even in the face of adversity. While we are respectful of your extraordinary efforts to balance the safety of Ohioans with the economic damage being caused by the closure of certain businesses, we are writing to encourage you to reconsider your timeframe for the opening of restaurants, bars and personal service businesses such as barber shops. During your press conference Monday, you did not provide a date upon which these types of businesses would be able to open again. These types of establishments represent the lifeblood of communities like Loveland. They help drive the economy for other businesses that you are allowing to open. We believe that with proper precautions and changes made to their operations, similar to those you have recommended for retail establishments, these businesses can also now safely re-open and accommodate customers. We ask you to please reconsider this as you move forward with your plans.

Sincerely,

Kathy Bailey, Mayor

Robert Weisgerber, Vice Mayor

Andrew Bateman, Councilmember

Kent Blair, Councilmember

Tim Butler, Councilmember

Neal Oury, Councilmember

Ted Phelps, Councilmember

Cc: Senator Steve Wilson
Senator Terry Johnson
State Representative Tom Brinkman
State Representative John Becker
State Representative Scott Lipps