



# Member Update

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## Cheer on the Twins on 4/25 with Other HM Members!



**Take Me Out to the Ball Game!** Join Hospitality Minnesota staff and other members of the association on April 25, 2024 from 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM at Target Field to cheer on the Twins!

- **The seats:** Our block of tickets is in a great spot, Section 123 — which is near third base. This also means that we have a limited number of tickets and they're going FAST!
- **What to expect:** A full afternoon of fun!

[Register Here!](#)

## Urgent Action Needed: Support Hotel Industry Tax Relief



**Did you know:** Earlier this year, the US House passed a bipartisan tax package that would extend the historic tax cuts that were created in 2017 for American businesses and workers.

**What's next:** The Senate may vote on the package as early as Monday, April 15 – Tax Day.

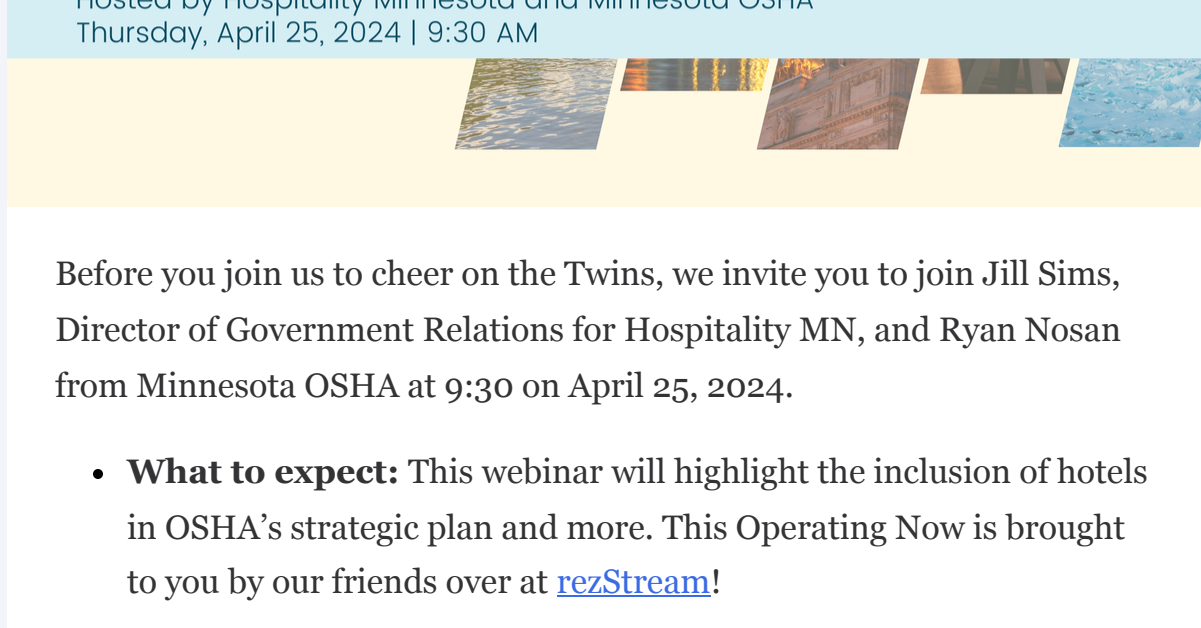
- Join Hospitality Minnesota and AHLA in our Tax Day of Action – [email your Senators](#) and tell them to pass H.R. 7024!

**Some Background:** H.R. The Tax Relief for American Families and Workers Act of 2024 is a bipartisan bill. It would temporarily extend key business tax provisions.

- **Why it matters:** This legislation would temporarily extend 100% bonus depreciation for qualifying property and the inclusion of depreciation and amortization in business interest expense calculations.

[Contact Your Senators!](#)

## Register for Next Week's Operating Now on Workplace Safety!

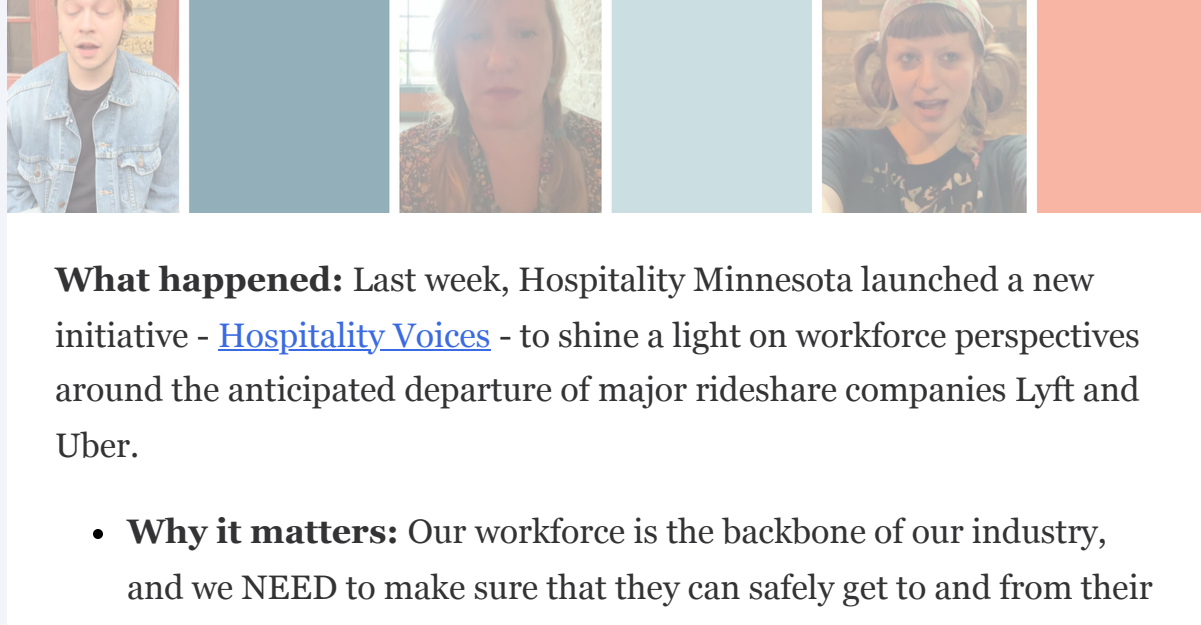


Before you join us to cheer on the Twins, we invite you to join Jill Sims, Director of Government Relations for Hospitality MN, and Ryan Nosan from Minnesota OSHA at 9:30 on April 25, 2024.

- **What to expect:** This webinar will highlight the inclusion of hotels in OSHA's strategic plan and more. This Operating Now is brought to you by our friends over at [rezStream!](#)
- **Why it matters:** This month's Operating Now provides operators with an opportunity to understand and carry out OSHA's strategic plan for hotel operations.

[Register Here!](#)

## Hospitality Minnesota Launches Hospitality Voices



**What happened:** Last week, Hospitality Minnesota launched a new initiative - [Hospitality Voices](#) - to shine a light on workforce perspectives around the anticipated departure of major rideshare companies Lyft and Uber.

- **Why it matters:** Our workforce is the backbone of our industry, and we NEED to make sure that they can safely get to and from their shifts at all hours of the day when public transit isn't a reliable solution.

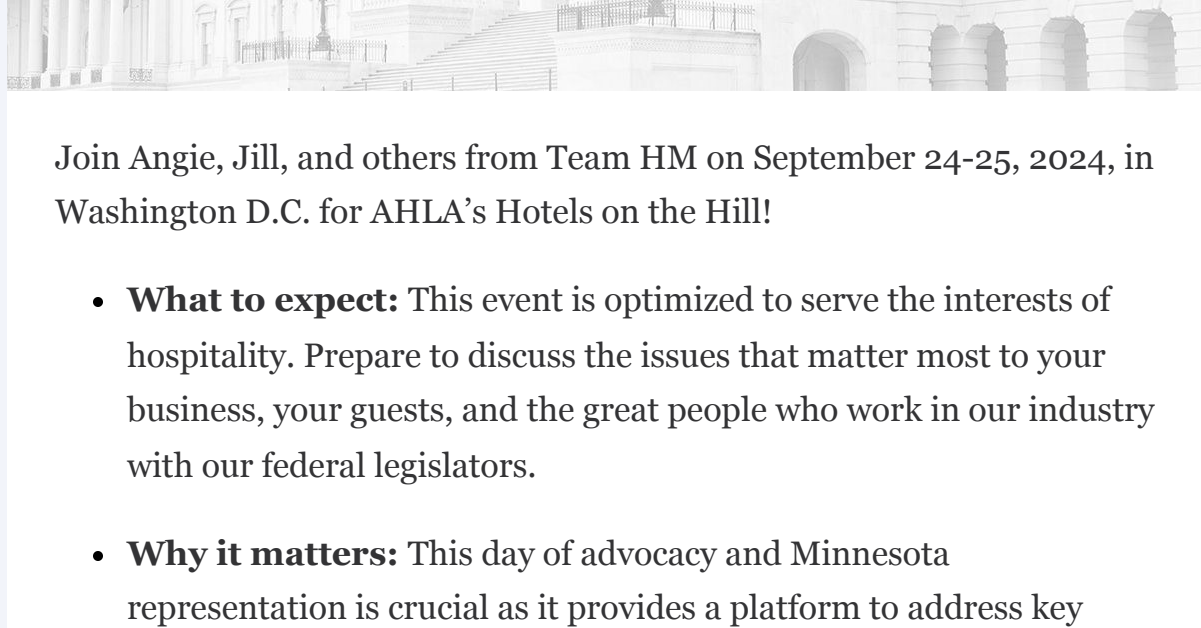
**By the numbers:** The initiative's content has seen effective engagement across our social media channels, sparking conversations of action around the City Council's ordinance.

- **Latest Update:** Last week, the City Council voted to push the rideshare ordinance effective date out another two months, from May 1, 2024 to July 1, 2024.

**The bottom line:** The hospitality industry will be negatively impacted by the loss of reliable rideshare! We need your continued help in broadcasting our concerns to the City Council encouraging compromise. If any member of your team would like to contribute their voice, email [Tony](#).

[Share Your Voice!](#)

## Attention Hoteliers: Register for AHLA's Hotels on the Hill 9/24-9/25



Join Angie, Jill, and others from Team HM on September 24-25, 2024, in Washington D.C. for AHLA's Hotels on the Hill!

- **What to expect:** This event is optimized to serve the interests of hospitality. Prepare to discuss the issues that matter most to your business, your guests, and the great people who work in our industry with our federal legislators.
- **Why it matters:** This day of advocacy and Minnesota representation is crucial as it provides a platform to address key issues affecting our industry, thereby influencing legislative decisions that can enhance business operations, guest satisfaction, and employee welfare.

[Register Here!](#)

## In the News

- [Minneapolis City Council delays rideshare minimum wage implementation to July 1](#) (Angie Whitcomb quoted) | CBS Minnesota
- [KARE 11 News at 6 - April 10, 2024](#) (Angie Whitcomb quoted) | kare11.com
- [Business and community leaders in Minneapolis urge council to rethink rideshare ordinance](#) (Angie Whitcomb quoted) | KSTP
- [Frey, backed by business, disability and senior groups call on Minneapolis Council to reverse rideshare vote](#) (Angie Whitcomb quoted) | Star Tribune
- [Minnesota tourism rebounds: Here's where people visited](#) | Star Tribune

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