



# Member Update

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## Experience an Elevated Evening While Supporting Hospitality's Future



**You're Invited!** Join us for an unforgettable night of culinary delights, inspiring stories, and impactful giving at the [Stars of the Future](#) on Wednesday, January 22nd from 6-9 PM at the stunning Four Seasons Hotel Minneapolis.

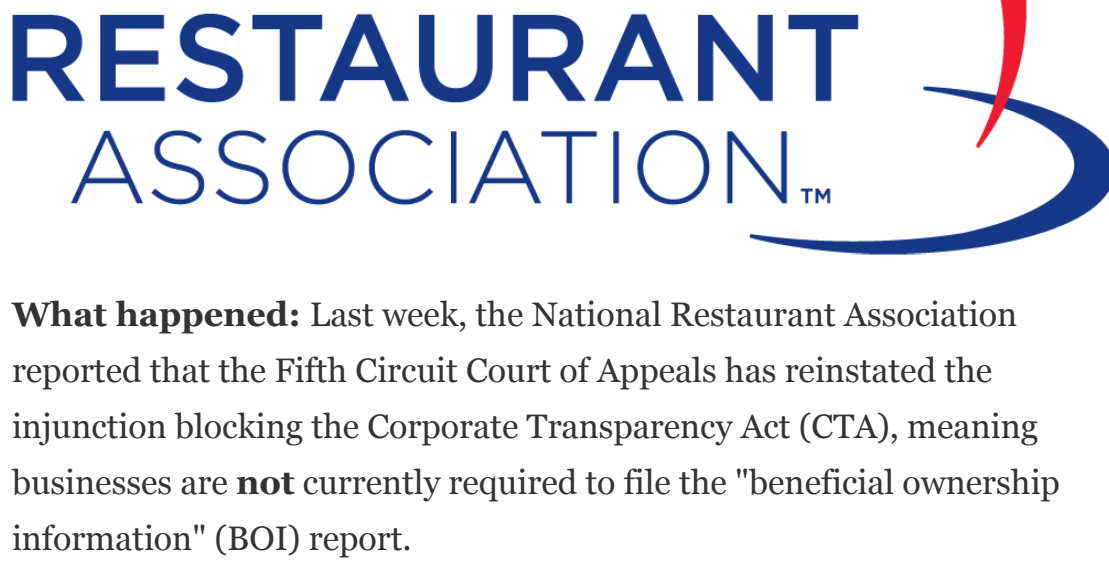
### Get ready to:

- **Savor exquisite culinary creations:** Indulge in a delectable array of amuse-bouche crafted by talented ProStart students and savor a breathtaking grazing table curated by the Four Seasons culinary team.
- **Experience the magic of giving:** Bid on exclusive experiences and contribute to the Hospitality Minnesota Education Foundation, empowering over 13,000 hospitality students and professionals across the state.
- **Be inspired by a true success story:** Hear from renowned baker Zoë François as she shares her journey of passion, grit, and achieving baking dreams.
- **Enjoy an unforgettable evening** hosted by the charismatic Jason DeRusha, Minnesota's beloved broadcaster and food critic.

**Why it matters:** Every ticket purchased and every bid placed directly supports the future of our vibrant hospitality industry. Reserve your tickets now and join us for an evening that will leave you inspired and fulfilled.

[Purchase Tickets](#)

## Important Corporate Transparency Update from the National Restaurant Association



**What happened:** Last week, the National Restaurant Association reported that the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals has reinstated the injunction blocking the Corporate Transparency Act (CTA), meaning businesses are **not** currently required to file the "beneficial ownership information" (BOI) report.

- **Some background:** The CTA aims to increase transparency by requiring businesses to disclose ownership information to the government.

**Why it matters:** This ruling provides temporary relief for businesses facing the CTA's requirements.

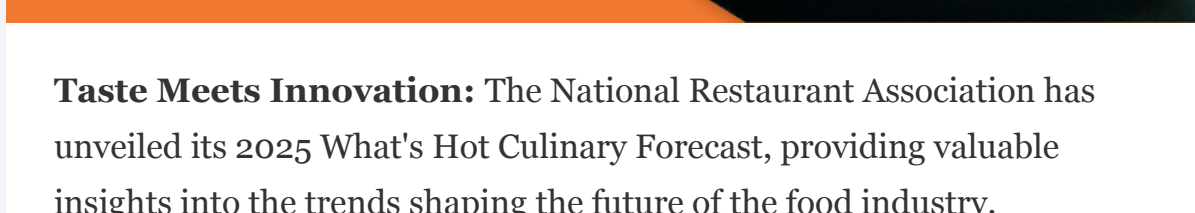
### Next Steps:

- The Restaurant Law Center is actively monitoring the legal proceedings and will continue to advocate for the industry's interests.
- For the latest information and official resources, visit the [FinCEN website](#).

**Disclaimer:** This is a brief summary. For complete details, reach out to the [National Restaurant Association's Public Affairs team](#).

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## Looking Ahead to 2025: Discover the Hottest Trends in Food



**Taste Meets Innovation:** The National Restaurant Association has unveiled its 2025 What's Hot Culinary Forecast, providing valuable insights into the trends shaping the future of the food industry.

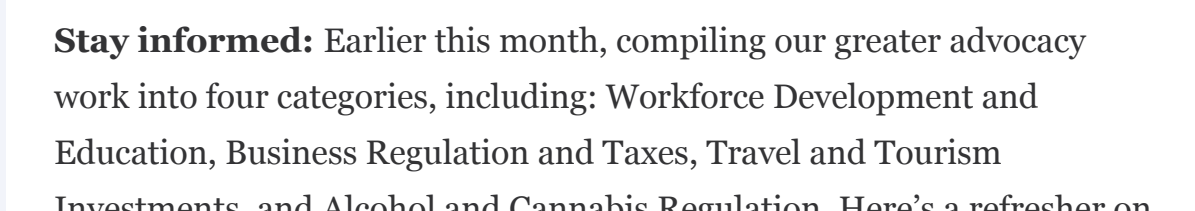
### Key Takeaways:

- **Sustainability Reigns Supreme:** Consumers are increasingly prioritizing sustainability, with a strong preference for restaurants committed to environmental stewardship.
- **Southeast Asian Flavors Explode:** Korean, Vietnamese, and Filipino cuisines are taking center stage, with Southeast Asian ingredients dominating the list of top flavors and condiments.
- **Focus on Well-being:** Personal and planetary well-being are driving culinary trends, influencing menu choices and operational decisions.

**Go deeper:** [Download your free copy](#) of the 2025 What's Hot Culinary Forecast today and gain a competitive edge in the new year!

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## In Case You Missed It: Hospitality Minnesota's 2025 Legislative Priorities



**Stay informed:** Earlier this month, compiling our greater advocacy work into four categories, including: Workforce Development and Education, Business Regulation and Taxes, Travel and Tourism Investments, and Alcohol and Cannabis Regulation. Here's a refresher on the details of each category:

### Workforce Development and Education:

- In 2024, Hospitality Minnesota's Education Foundation funded ProStart programs across the state, supporting 70+ schools and 13,000 students. Our priority is securing sustainable funding and expanding these proven successful programs to support the next generation of hospitality professionals.

### Business Regulation and Taxes:

- Hospitality Minnesota remains committed to protecting Minnesota's hospitality industry by advancing tax policies that support capital equipment modernization and business investment, and opposing harmful business regulations that will force businesses to close, move out of state, and damage the state's economy.

### Travel and Tourism Investments:

- The travel and tourism industries are closely intertwined with the hospitality industry. We will continue to advocate for public safety at our state's campgrounds and RV parks, amending laws to standardize the 180-day seasonal employment definition, and modernizing lodging tax policy to reflect current market conditions.

### Alcohol and Cannabis Regulation:

- Alcohol and cannabis regulation continue to be areas of law vital to the success of our bars and restaurants. Hospitality Minnesota will support legislation to support the thoughtful development and implementation of social district policy, ensure small business interests are represented in policy decisions, and monitoring and responding to emerging regulatory changes.

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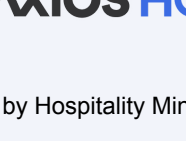
## HM In the News

- [Junk Fees to Go Away in Minnesota Starting January 1](#) | Kare11
- ['Junk fees' costs addressed in new law](#) | Fox 9
- [Twin Cities restaurants reacting to new 'junk fees' law](#) | CBS News
- [Twin Cities restaurants respond to new 'junk fee' law](#) | The Bharat Express

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