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I am an avid supporter of all business in DC, I work at 8th and I NW. I have worked downtown for 10 years. I support the brick and mortar restaurants, but feel that there is a great need for mobile vending regulations that work for all involved. As a consumer, I choose with my wallet. The food trucks have added a great culture and diversity to lunch time dining in DC. I have visited over 100 different trucks. Long before the food truck revolution started, I had stopped going to the old usuals near my office as they are unable to provide healthy, fresh, tasty, and value to their products. I started bringing my lunch to work. So the businesses have lost my support because of their failure to satisfy me.

Food Trucks need a place in DC. Nothing brightens up my day when I can walk to either Metro Center, or Franklin Park and have about 8 options at each place. While not all of them are great, most are a great diversion. I am asking that the DC Vending regulations find a way to accommodate the food trucks, let them operate with freedom that is fair for them, the consumer, and brick and mortar restaurants. They are a great asset to the city.

Thank you for your time!

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