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Subject: Spanish Fork Chamber Support for "Keep the Joy in Sundays"

Hello all!

I wanted to take a moment to support the efforts of the Nothing Bundt Cakes (Spanish Fork location) initiative for the right to remain closed on Sundays. I am sure you have received lots of feedback from others regarding the change in franchise agreement, but I wish to speak to the climate and culture of our Spanish Fork area specifically.

I am not of religious affiliation myself, but it is safe to say that the grand majority of residents in our area practice a faith that heavily supports no work on Sundays. Our primarily faith-based community are encouraged not to spend money on Sundays either, which has made the Sunday profit margins extremely challenging for most businesses that choose to remain open on Sunday in our area. The businesses that choose to open on Sunday also struggle with maintaining loyal high-quality employees, as most have many options to work for businesses who allow employees to reserve their Sundays for worship. I just wanted to advise those who might not be familiar with the culture here in 'rural' Utah, that it will likely cause many more challenges (ones that other businesses who have tried to open Sundays face) than it would be worth to enforce a Sunday operation in Utah, and especially in Spanish Fork.

Feel free to contact me if you have more questions or concerns, or would like more information on the subject. I am happy to oblige.

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HB 441 Franchise Protection Act

What HB441 Does:

HB441 merely provides that where a franchisor intends for a franchise to remain open on the day of worship that is deeply regarded by a franchisee, that intention must be expressly stated in the franchise agreement. That's all!

HB441 does NOT prevent a franchisor from requiring a franchisee to remain open on a day of worship where that requirement is expressly stated.

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