Murphy allows indoor restaurant seating Sept. 4

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Gov. Phil Murphy announced Thursday afternoon, Aug. 27, that he was extending an executive order allowing indoor diners in restaurants to resume as of 5 a.m. Friday and reopening movie theaters.

The goal, he said, is for businesses to return to "a level of indoor service capable of running the Labor Day weekend," he said at his COVID-19 press conference, "for all of us to meet with enthusiasm locally.

"Too little, too late," Ocean City Borough Manager Matt Kappes said on his Sunday radio show. "Gov. Murphy's announcement is a slap in the face to our members that were devastated all summer by our county's one-size-fits-all solution. This announcement, Albertson said, "is largely open to the outside.

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