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At the regularly scheduled Wednesday meeting, the Polk County Board of Commissioners adopted Order 20-09, directing the Polk County Environmental Health Division to accept and issue, without payment, a 2021 Annual Restaurant License for any completed application submitted by a restaurant that maintained a valid Polk County issued Annual 2020 Restaurant License on March 17, 2020.

Polk County recognizes the devastating impact of COVID-19 to our local businesses, particularly eating and drinking establishments. This is one small step the County can make to ease the impacts we are all feeling across the region and reduce operational expenses for the food and drink business. Polk County will continue to examine economic development options to aid and assist the crucial business of our community as we face this crisis together.