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Greetings Mayor and Council-

Please see the note below and feel free to join a few of your staff in celebrating the end of an era as Original Joe's ceases operations...

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From:

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Subject: Original Joe's - End of an Era

Hello all,

As some of you may know, a Development Permit was approved in July 2017 which has set the wheels in motion to demolish and redevelop the existing Original Joe's on the southwest corner of Cambie and Broadway sometime in the new year. The current manager (whose name is actually Joe) wanted to thank Staff for all their patronage over the last several years, and thought that reserving the restaurant to just City Staff would be an appropriate way to honour us. I realize for some of you this may not be a very big deal, but this establishment has served as a very important, and reliable gathering place to celebrate our many successes, retirements, goodbyes, late night council marathons, and downright hard work. It will be difficult to replace...

The event has been setup at Original Joe's onThursday, December 7th as an informal "City of Vancouver Staff Appreciation", and the restaurant will be ours from 4:00 – 8:00 PM (the end time is flexible). I'm intentionally trying to avoid a big splashy promotion for the event, so I've sent this out a cast of characters and ask that you all help spread the news by word of mouth to your respective groups. I also intentionally blind copied everyone on this e-mail in the hopes it would generate some chatter, and would eliminate any assumption that I'm the organizer. Perhaps you can bring it up at an upcoming branch meeting, or next to the metaphorical water cooler. One key aspect that I'd like to highlight is that there is no special deals, or offers being proposed at the event. Simply the reservation for CoV staff. RSVP's are not being taking so it may be first come, first serve based on the capacity at the time you arrive.

I think this will be a great way to kick off the holiday season and start brainstorming alternative venues while the new building is under construction for two and half years. Looking forward to seeing you all there.

Cheers,