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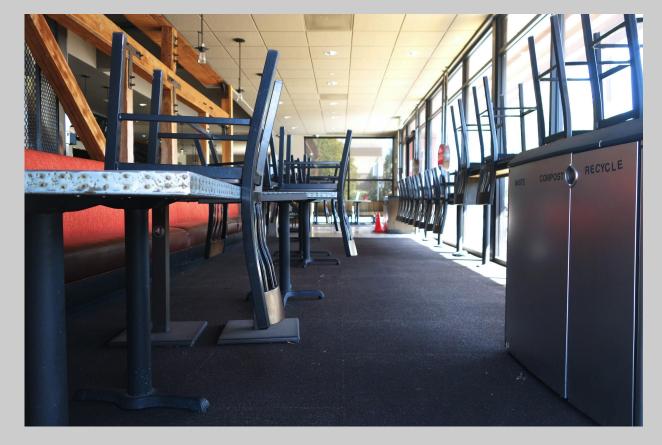
The Death of Bay Area Small Businesses in a Pandemic: A Photo Essay By Lauren Cavalieri



This building, formerly the home of Beauty Source, a cosmetic supply store, now stands completely vacant on March 5. This store was forced to shut down in March 2020, due to its lack of qualifying as an essential business, and it most likely suffered financially as a result.



Mcnamara's Steakhouse still maintains its sign, but it has been permanently closed as of March 5. They ceased all operations in late 2020.



A row of chairs are stacked upon tabletops at Specialty's Cafe in Dublin on March 5. The business relied heavily on workers visiting during their lunch break, so things fell apart once people began working from home.



A former Dry Cleaner's place in San Ramon is completely emptied out on March 5. Due to workers no longer needing professional attire due to working at home, the business of dry cleaning crashed.



