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Re: Salon Studios Should Be in the Second Stage Dear Madam/Sir,

I am a licensed cosmetologist. I rent a studio at Regency Salon Studios. Each studio is about 110 sq. which is leased to only me as this is my own business. I have complete control over it. When I have a client, only the client and myself are in the studio. I can schedule my appointments so that there is ample time to clean and sanitize my studio and its equipment between each appointment. The salon studios business concept was created to provide more privacy, cleanliness and sanitation compared to the "bull pen" that you find at typical beauty salon. There are many national companies that offer salon studios in the major cities of California.

Each Salon Studio have about 30 studios per location. They are like separate offices with walls to the ceilings and one door. Each licensed professional has access to their studio 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. There is no lobby so there is no congregating. The client comes directly to my studio. Each professional has more than 1600 hours of education emphasizing a clean and sanitary environment. We will now wear a mask and gloves and provide the same for their customers. The studios are inspected regularly by State Board of Barbering and Cosmetology.

Since each professional has their own lockable studio, they can provide a very safe environment much like a small business office. The Salon Studios should be in the Second Stage for re-opening rather than the third because they are more like a private office environment than an open setting like a nail or beauty salon. We have more control over our environment than a restaurant, a manufacturing plant or retail store that are in the second stage. We are requesting your support in having Salon Studios moved to the second stage and help us return to being a contributing part of our community.

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