



To all my friends, family, and loyal customers,

I want to take a moment to express my heartfelt thanks to each and every one of you for your incredible support of Joey's. The response has been overwhelming, to say the least. Joey, Falyn, and I are truly humbled by the outpouring of love we've received. This would all be impossible without some very important people. First, I want to give a huge shoutout to my kitchen team:

Elbie, the fish master, Matt, for being the great chef that he is, Martier, the all-around food king, Chiquito, the salad master, and El Chapo, Grandpa, the king of the dishwashers thank you for keeping everything spotless. I love teaching these young guys new techniques and ideas they've never seen before, and they embrace it wholeheartedly. In turn, I also grow by learning from them, which inspires us to add new items to the menu and create even more memorable experiences.

I also want to thank the front-of-house team:

Willie, the king of food runners, all the servers, for keeping a keen eye on our customers, making them feel at home, and providing professional service. Anthony and Melissa, for always keeping things running smoothly, and of course, Nelson, our man of many talents.

My love for music inspires me, so I use the words of songwriters throughout work and in the kitchen. When things get crazy, I like to quote a song by Dave Matthews: "Steady as we go." I remind the team to keep it steady, nice, and easy — because when we work together, soon there won't be so many tickets hanging up. We've righted the ship, and that's what it's all about.

One of my personal philosophies comes from Coach Jimmy Valvano: "If you laugh, think, and cry every day, that's a great day." Those words resonate deeply with me, and I try to live by them.

Lastly, I want to take a moment to thank a few special people:

To Brian Kenney, my best friend and lawyer — I love you, man.

And to my greatest love, Destinee— thank you for always protecting me, for having my back, and for your endless words of wisdom.

Most importantly Joey and Falyn for stepping up to help their dad with the restaurant. They are truly wonderful, and I couldn't be more grateful to them.

And so, one last thank you to everyone for all your years of support and friendship. Most of you have become like family to us, and I just want to say — see you all soon, and hopefully for many more years to come.

As Joey's moves forward, we have exciting things coming — including our new outdoor patio!

I'll leave you all with one of my favorite quotes from Billy Joel:

"Come in and forget about life for a while."

Joey