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Bakery Lorraine, a class of it's own

Ingredients treated with the proper respect and thoughtfulness they deserve



Dallas TX, July 1st, 2018; Thomas Keller is one of my favorites, so when I found out that two chefs from his renowned Bouchon Bakery opened up their own shop here in the Alamo City, I was a little giddy. I have an awesome friend who made sure I knew about these places when I moved here – find those friends and keep them around!

Bakery Lorraine is in the sea of awesome places at the Pearl but most definitely stands apart. I haven't had a croissant like this in many many years. I don't care how much fat is in it, I nearly ate three. Making pastry dough can be tedious and most places don't go through the effort of making it from scratch. They do here and we the people get the benefit of each slender layer of butter stacked between dough and baked until golden brown. Texture is very well rounded, tender but strong. I brought two home and if my husband doesn't come home soon, they may be gone.

They also have one of the best bread puddings I've ever had. It stands mounded in a small pastry shell, small pillows of dough pieced together by caramelized sugar and butter. The quality of ingredients they use is very evident in the fact that things with only a few ingredients can taste so phenomenal. At first site I was nervous it would be dry, but this was so not the case. Each little pillow was moist and tender inside with a slight chew outside provided by that hardening sugar. Oye. This particular morning I had the

ham, scrambled egg, fontina, confit garlic cream cheese, and arugula on ciabatta croissant. I couldn't say no to the option of eating another. They source their ingredients from local farmers who you can meet on their website and the salty ham and creamy eggs we're a great bed for the confit garlic cream cheese. Swoon.

Bakery Lorraine added my usual sipping chocolate because I can't say no even when it's 80 degrees here. It's not mild but the darkness depends on the day and the person preparing it. I always find it a perfect compliment to (big surprise) a croissant to spend your morning leisurely reading a newspaper by the window. No joke, this place is one of the best in the country.

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Top conservative groups urge Trump to reject climate change agreement

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Over 20 national and state conservative groups are urging the Trump administration to reject an international agreement that aims to fix climate change by limiting the use of a chemical commonly found in refrigerators.

In a letter sent Monday to President Trump, the groups, including the Competitive Enterprise Institute (CEI) and Heritage Action asked Trump to pull the U.S. out of an Obama-era agreement known as the Kigali Amendment to the Montreal Protocol, which aims to reduce emissions of global warming-causing hydrofluorocarbons used as a refrigerant.

The groups argued that the agreement would increase the cost to U.S. consumers, saying it "would impose restrictions on production of the affordable refrigerants currently used in most types of air conditioning and refrigeration units and necessitate their likely replacement with more expensive alternatives."

The letter added: "The result would be higher costs for households, motorists, and businesses that rely on air conditioning and refrigeration."

The Obama administration and environmentalists alike championed the United Nations treaty negotiated in 2016, which was created to help countries meet the emissions standards put forth in the Paris climate agreement. One hundred and seventy countries signed onto the agreement, which scientists expected could on its own help prevent a nearly 1 degree rise in temperatures by 2100.

Big businesses, including the U.S. refrigerator industry, are also supportive of the agreement, urging the Trump administration to stay committed to the deal because of the business potential of new regulations.

The industry hopes to convince the administration that staying in will create U.S. jobs due to the fact that the country is a leader in refrigerant products and the pact will likely drive new demand for their expertise globally.

A joint April report from trade groups Air-Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute and the Alliance for Responsible Atmospheric Policy say that the deal will strengthen U.S. exports.

“Without Kigali ratification, growth opportunities will be lost along with the jobs to support that growth, the trade deficit will grow, and the U.S. share of global export markets will decline,” the report read.

In June 13 GOP senators, led by John Kennedy (La.) and Susan Collins (Maine), wrote to Trump asking him to submit the treaty amendment for Senate approval. They said the Kigali amendment would increase manufacturing jobs by 33,000 and boost exports by \$4.8 billion.

However, other conservatives view the treaty, which was signed in Kigali, Rwanda, as a leftover from the Obama administration that should be done away with. The letter states that the "Kigali Amendment would do far more economic harm than environmental good."

"Most studies have concluded that fully implementing the Kigali Amendment would reduce the global mean temperature by an unmeasurable amount by 2050," it said.

Myron Ebell, director of CEI's center for energy and environment, is a signatory to the letter. He previously ran Trump's Environmental Protection Agency transition team and has long been supportive of the administration's environmental deregulations.

