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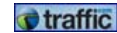


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AURORA -You've seen the famous faces splashed across your TV--stars hawking products or promoting causes or companies-- but two local celebrities weren't looking for a big payday when they agreed to tend bar at an Aurora restaurant.

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"Big Mike" Naughton from Mike Naughton Ford and competitor Mike Tynan from Tynan's Nissan spent an evening mixing drinks for customers at Dora's Mexican Restaurant free of charge last week.

The event, called "Let's Do It," was not only a fundraiser for the Nurture Foundation, but also was intended to bring customers out to the struggling restaurant.

"We're struggling, we're fighting. We're fighting to stay alive." Dora Hermann, the founder and owner of the restaurant.

She says closing isn't an option so to keep her doors open she turned to her neighbors.

"There was no questions asked. They were all for it." Hermann said.

Mike Tynan was willing to participate because helping his neighbors helps everyone.

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"If we can get them to concentrate and do business with the businesses in Aurora we're better off and they're better off," Tynan said.

"I don't know why they picked me but I'm pretending I'm a celebrity." he added, laughing.

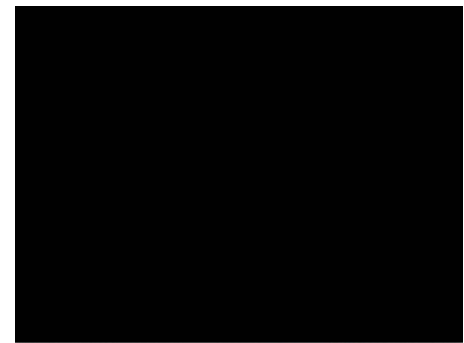
Pretending or not customers drank the act up. "It's good to see everybody coming together." One patron remarked. "If Big Mike here can serve me a beer then that's cool."

For his part, "Big Mike" seemed to enjoy the experience. Don't expect him to close his dealership, in favor of becoming a bartender anytime soon, however.

"I'm not giving up my day job!" he yelled to customers while filling mugs.

For more information about the Nurture Foundation, [CLICK HERE](#).

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