

Proclamation

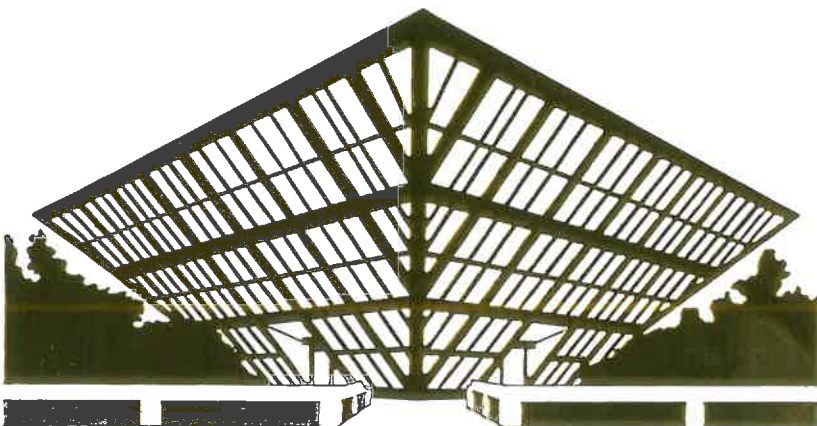
- WHEREAS, Tempe celebrates our local small businesses and the contributions they make to our local economy and community;
- WHEREAS, According to the United States Small Business Administration, there are currently 30.2 million small businesses in the United States and make up 47.5% of U.S. employees; and,
- WHEREAS, U.S. Small business community contributes approximately \$8.5 trillion to the economy, roughly half of the total \$17 trillion total Gross Domestic Product; and,
- WHEREAS, 89 percent of consumers in the United States agree that small businesses contribute positively to the local community by supplying jobs and generating tax revenue; and,
- WHEREAS, The City of Tempe and our residents agree that it is important for people to support the small businesses that they value in their community; and,
- WHEREAS, Tempe supports our local businesses that create jobs, boost our local economy, diversify consumer options and preserve our neighborhoods; and,
- WHEREAS, Advocacy groups as well as public and private organizations across the country have endorsed the Saturday after Thanksgiving as Small Business Saturday;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark W. Mitchell, Mayor of the City of Tempe, Arizona, do hereby declare:

November 24, 2018
as
Small Business Saturday
in Tempe, Arizona

IN WITNESS WHEREOF,
I hereunto set my hand
this 16th day of October,
Two Thousand and
Eighteen.


Mayor Mark W. Mitchell



 **City of Tempe**