

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, the government of City of Live Oak, Texas, celebrates our local small businesses and the contributions they make to our local economy and community; according to the United States Small Business Administration, there are currently 28.8 million small businesses in the United States, they represent 99.7 percent of all businesses with employees in the United States, are responsible for 63 percent of net new jobs created over the past 20 years, and

Whereas, small businesses employ over 47.5 percent of all businesses with employees in the United States; and

Whereas, 90% of consumers in the United States say Small Business Saturday has had a positive impact on their community; and;

Whereas, 89% of consumers who are aware of Small Business Saturday said the day encourages them to Shop Small all year long; and

Whereas, 73% of consumers who reportedly Shopped Small at independently-owned retailers and restaurants on Small Business Saturday did so with friends or family; and

Whereas, City of Live Oak, Texas supports our local businesses that create jobs, boost our local economy 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.

THEREFORE, I Mary M. Dennis, Mayor and City Council of Live Oak, Texas do hereby proclaim, November 24, 2018, as:

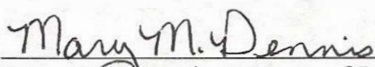


“SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY”

And urge the residents of our community, and communities across the country, to support small businesses and merchants on Small Business Saturday and throughout the year.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the SEAL of the City of Live Oak to be affixed this 13th, day of November 2018.


Mary M. Dennis, Mayor of Live Oak