

PROCLAMATION

CITY OF RICHARDSON, TEXAS

- WHEREAS:** The Richardson City Council celebrates our local small businesses and the contributions they make to our local economy and community; and
- WHEREAS:** According to the United States Small Business Administration, there are currently 30.2 million small businesses in the United States, they represent 99.7 percent of all businesses with employees in the United States, are responsible for 65.9 percent of net new jobs created from 2000 to 2017 and small businesses employ 47.5 percent of the employees in the private sector in the United States; and
- WHEREAS:** Ninety percent (90%) of consumers in the United States say Small Business Saturday has had a positive impact on their community and eighty-nine percent (89%) of consumers who are aware of Small Business Saturday said the day encourages them to Shop Small all year long; and
- WHEREAS:** Richardson supports our local businesses that create jobs, boost our local economy and preserve our communities; 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, Paul Voelker, Mayor of the City of Richardson, Texas, do hereby designate the Saturday after Thanksgiving, November 24, 2018 as:

SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY

in the City of Richardson, Texas 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.

*Given under my hand and seal of office this
24th day of November 2018.*


Mayor, The City of Richardson

