



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

CITY OF ALABASTER

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the government of Alabaster, Alabama, celebrates our local small businesses and the contributions they make to our local economy and community; and

WHEREAS, small businesses are critical to the overall economic health of the United States. According to the United States Small Business Administration, there are currently 30.2 million small businesses in the United States, representing 99.7 percent of all businesses. Small Businesses are responsible for 65.9 percent of net new jobs created over the past 17 years and employ over 47.5 percent of all employees in the private sector in the United States; and

WHEREAS, consumers in the United States agree that small businesses contribute positively to the local community by supplying jobs and generating tax revenue. It is important for people to support the small businesses that they value in their community. Advocacy groups, as well as public and private organizations, across the country have endorsed the Saturday after Thanksgiving as Small Business Saturday.

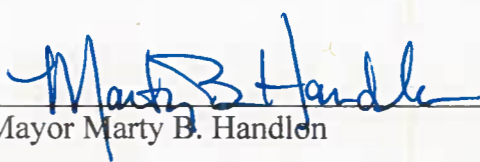
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Marty B. Handlon, Mayor of the City of Alabaster, Alabama, do hereby proclaim, November 24, 2018, as:

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.



WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alabaster, Alabama to be affixed, this 31st day of October, 2018.



Mayor Marty B. Handlon

ATTEST:



Brian Binzer, City Clerk

