



PROCLAMATION
Small Business Saturday
November 24, 2018

WHEREAS, the City of Farmington Hills celebrates small businesses and the critical contribution they make to our community, the local economy, and the overall economic health of the United States; and

WHEREAS, according to the U.S. Small Business Administration, currently there are over 30.2 million small businesses in our country, which represents 99.7 percent of all businesses with employees in the United States; and

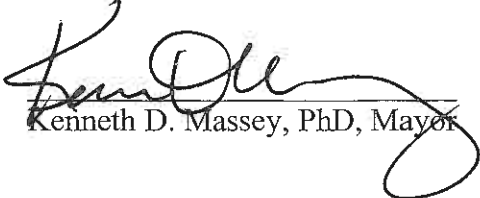
WHEREAS, small businesses were responsible for 65.9 percent of net new jobs created from 2000 to 2017, and they employ 47.5 percent of the employees in the private sector in the United States; and

WHEREAS, small businesses contribute positively to the local community by supplying jobs, generating tax revenues, and boosting the local economy; and

WHEREAS, Small Business Saturday encourages consumers in the U.S. to shop at local businesses, support local merchants, and dine at independently-owned restaurants every year on the Saturday after Thanksgiving.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Ken Massey, Mayor of the City of Farmington Hills, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim November 24, 2018 as **Small Business Saturday** and urge all residents to support small businesses annually on the Saturday after Thanksgiving and also throughout the entire year.




Kenneth D. Massey, PhD, Mayor