



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, the City of Midwest City, Oklahoma wishes to recognize 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, representing 99.7 percent of all businesses with employees in the United States, and they are responsible for 65.9 percent of new jobs created from 2000 to 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, small businesses employ 47.5 percent of the employees in the private sector in the United States, and 90 percent of all consumers believe that Small Business Saturday has had a positive impact on their community; and

**WHEREAS**, 64 percent of consumers, who were aware of the Small Business Saturday, went to shop and dine at small, independently-owned businesses to support their community; and

**WHEREAS**, advocacy groups as well as public and private organizations across the country have endorsed the Saturday after Thanksgiving as Small Business Saturday; and

**WHEREAS**, Midwest City wishes to support our local businesses that create jobs, boost our local economy and preserve our neighborhoods, so

**THEREFORE**, I, Matthew D. Dukes II, Mayor of the city of Midwest City, Oklahoma do hereby proclaim November 24, 2018, to be

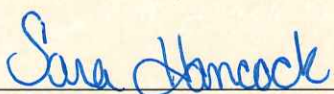
## “Small Business Saturday”

in Midwest City and urge residents 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 Honored Seal of the City of Midwest City, Oklahoma, to be affixed this 24th day of November, in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Eighteen.

  
MATTHEW D. DUKES II, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
SARA HANCOCK, City Clerk

