



PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** small businesses employ over 47 percent of the working population in the United States; and
- WHEREAS,** 90 percent of consumers in the United States agree that small businesses contribute positively to the local community by supplying jobs and generating tax revenue; and
- WHEREAS,** according to the United States Small Business Administration, there were 28 million small businesses in the United States last year and small businesses has created 65 percent of net new jobs over the past two decades; and
- WHEREAS,** Small Business Saturday will stimulate economic growth for small merchants by following in the tradition of Black Friday and Cyber Monday, two of the busiest shopping days of the year; and
- WHEREAS,** advocacy groups and public and private organizations across the country have endorsed the Saturday after Thanksgiving as Small Business Saturday; and
- WHEREAS,** Olathe, Kansas, celebrates our local small businesses and the contributions they make to our local economy and community.

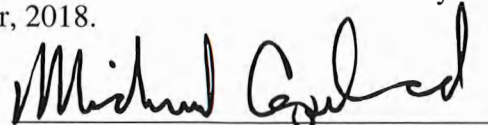
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael Copeland, Mayor of the City of Olathe, do hereby proclaim November 24, 2018, as

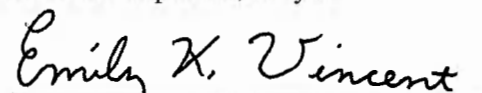
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in our community, encouraging all citizens to support small businesses and merchants on Small Business Saturday, and throughout the year.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Olathe to be affixed this twentieth day of November, 2018.




Michael Copeland, Mayor


Emily K. Vincent, City Clerk