



Whereas: The Town of Islip celebrates our local small businesses and the contributions they make to our local economy and community, recognizing that small businesses employ a vast majority of our residents and make our town a more unique and welcoming destination to visit and shop; and

Whereas: Small businesses employ 47.5 percent of the employees in the private sector in the United States, contributing positively to the local community while generating tax revenue, with 90 percent of consumers agreeing that the shop small initiative has had a positive impact within their respective neighborhoods, adding value in to the communities they call home; and

Whereas: Advocacy groups and public and private organizations across the country have endorsed the Saturday after Thanksgiving as "Small Business Saturday," encouraging those to "shop small" all year long, bringing together friends, family and neighbors as they support the businesses that help define the communities in which we live; and

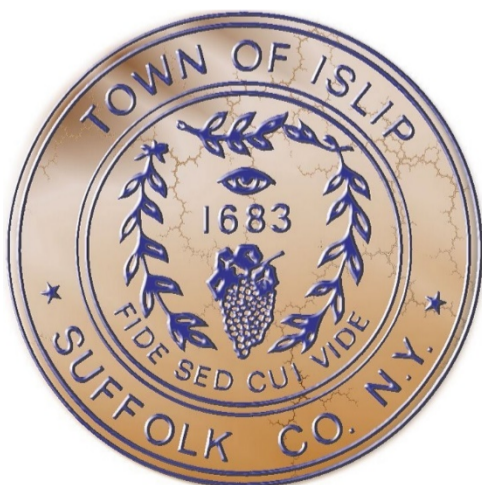
Whereas: the Town of Islip so too commends the hard work of the local businesses within our community as they create jobs, boost our local economy and preserve our neighbourhood's charm, identity and prosperity; and

NOW, THEREFORE WE, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE TOWN OF ISLIP, in order to recognize and honor the hard work and significance of local small businesses, do hereby proclaim November 24th to be known as:

Small Business Saturday

in the Town of Islip, and we encourage and urge residents Town-wide to celebrate by shopping local, supporting small businesses and merchants on this day and all throughout the year.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Islip Town Board does hereby affix this Town of Islip seal on the Twenty-Fourth day of November, Two-thousand and Eighteen.



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