



**Colchester**  
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TOWN OF COLCHESTER  
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**TOWN OF COLCHESTER SELECTBOARD  
A PROCLAMATION OF SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY 2018**

**WHEREAS,** The Town of Colchester celebrates and supports our local small businesses that create jobs, boost our local economy and preserve our neighborhoods and community; and

**WHEREAS,** According to the United States Small Business Administration there are currently 30.2 million small businesses in the United States, which represents 99.7 percent of all businesses with employees, and are responsible for 65.9 percent of net 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


**WHEREAS:** Ninety percent of consumers in the United States say Small Business Saturday has had a positive impact on their community and eighty-nine percent of consumers who are aware of Small Business Saturday said the day encourages them to Shop Small all year long; and

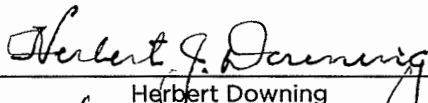
**WHEREAS:** The most reported reason (sixty-four percent) for consumers to shop and dine at small, independently-owned businesses was to support their community; and


**WHEREAS:** Advocacy groups as well as public and private organizations across the country have endorsed the Saturday after Thanksgiving as Small Business Saturday

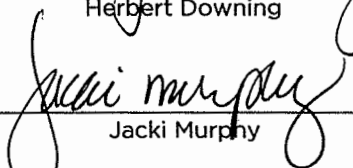
**NOW, THEREFORE:** The Colchester, Vermont Selectboard do hereby proclaim, November 24, 2018, as SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY and urge the residents of our community, and communities across the country, to support small businesses and merchants on Small Business Saturday and throughout the year.

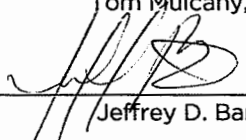
**ADOPTED THIS 13<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER 2018,  
BY THE COLCHESTER SELECTBOARD**

  
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