

*PROCLAMATION*

**SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY**  
November 30, 2019

Whereas, the Village of Mount Prospect celebrates our local small businesses and the contributions they make to our local economy and community; according to the United States Small Business Administration, there are currently 28.8 million small businesses in the United States, they represent 99.7 percent of all businesses with employees in the United States, are responsible for 63 percent of net new jobs created over the past 20 years, and

Whereas, small businesses employ 47.5 percent of the employees in the private sector in the United States; and

Whereas, on average, 33 percent of consumers' holiday shopping will be done at small, independently-owned retailers and restaurants; and

Whereas, 89 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, 91 percent of consumers in the United States agree that it is important for people to support the small businesses that they value in their community; and

Whereas, the Village of Mount Prospect supports our local businesses that create jobs, boost our local economy and preserve our neighborhoods; 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, I, Arlene A. Juracek, Mayor of the Village of Mount Prospect do hereby proclaim, November 30, 2019, 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.

  
Arlene A. Juracek  
Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Karen Agoranos  
Village Clerk

Dated this 12<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2019