

# City of Indianapolis Office of the Mayor



## PROCLAMATION

*TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS:*

**WHEREAS**, according to the United States Small Business Administration, there are currently 30.7 million small businesses in the United States. Small businesses represent 99.7 percent of all American businesses with employees and were responsible for 64.9 percent of net new jobs created between 2000 and 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, small, locally-owned businesses in Indianapolis are essential to our city's economic vibrancy. They contribute positively to the community by supplying jobs and generating tax revenue—with every \$100 spent at a small local retailer, it is estimated that \$68 will return to the community through taxes, payroll, and donations; and

**WHEREAS**, advocacy groups as well as public and private organizations recognize the Saturday after Thanksgiving as 'Small Business Saturday' to bring attention to the many ways small businesses contribute to communities. Local businesses create jobs, boost the economy, preserve our neighborhoods, and are vital for a community's longevity; and

**WHEREAS**, today and every day, Indianapolis supports the efforts of our local small businesses and business owners and encourages consumers to "shop small" all year long, celebrating the value of locally-owned businesses and their key contributions to sustaining a healthy business climate;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH H. HOGSETT, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM NOVEMBER 30, 2019, AS:

### **SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY**

in the City of Indianapolis, and I ask all citizens to join me in this observation.



**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE  
HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND CAUSED  
TO BE AFFIXED THE SEAL OF THE CITY  
OF INDIANAPOLIS ON THIS 30<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF  
NOVEMBER IN THE YEAR TWO  
THOUSAND NINETEEN.**

*Joseph H. Hogsett*

JOSEPH H. HOGSETT  
MAYOR  
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS

