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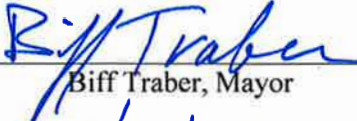

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**PROCLAMATION**  
**SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY**

**NOVEMBER 30, 2019**

- WHEREAS,** The government of Corvallis, Oregon celebrates our local small businesses and the contributions they make to our local economy and community; and
- WHEREAS,** According to the United States Small Business Administration, there are currently 30.7 million small businesses in the United States, they represent 99.7 percent of all businesses with employees in the United States, and they are responsible for 64.9 percent of net new jobs created from 2000 to 2018; and
- WHEREAS,** Small businesses employ 47.3 percent of the employees in the private sector in the United States; and
- WHEREAS,** 94% of consumers in the United States value the contributions small businesses make in their community; and
- WHEREAS,** 96% of consumers who plan to shop on Small Business Saturday® said the day inspires them to go to small, independently-owned retailers or restaurants that they have not been to before, or would not have otherwise tried; and
- WHEREAS,** 92% of companies planning promotions on Small Business Saturday said the day helps their business stand out during the busy holiday shopping season; and
- WHEREAS,** 59% of small business owners said Small Business Saturday contributes significantly to their holiday sales each year; and
- WHEREAS,** Corvallis Oregon strongly supports our local businesses that create jobs, boost our local economy and preserve our communities; and
- WHEREAS,** The Downtown Corvallis Association will promote and host a Small Business Saturday event on November, 30, 2019;
- WHEREAS,** The Independent Business Committee of the Corvallis Chamber of Commerce, the Corvallis Sustainability Coalition, the Business Enterprise Center and the HOUR Exchange are together promoting November 23, 2019, Corvallis Buy Local First Day.

**NOW, THEREFORE I,** Biff Traber, Mayor of Corvallis, Oregon do hereby proclaim, November 30, 2019, as **Small Business Saturday** and urge the members of our community to support small businesses and merchants on Small Business Saturday, Buy Local First Day and throughout the year.

  
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Biff Traber, Mayor  
  
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