



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Hillsboro 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 30.2 million small businesses in the United States, they represent 99.7 percent of all businesses with employees in the United States, are responsible for 65.9 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, 90% of consumers in the United States say Small Business Saturday has had a positive impact on their community; and

WHEREAS, 89% 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 for consumers aware of the day to shop and dine at small, independently-owned businesses was to support their community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hillsboro 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, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Steve Callaway, Mayor of the City of Hillsboro, Oregon, do hereby proclaim November 30, 2019 as:

SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY

in Hillsboro and urge all community members to support small businesses and merchants on Small Business Saturday and throughout the year.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Steve Callaway'.

Steve Callaway, Mayor
November 19, 2019