



the city of **Lancaster**
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PROCLAMATION

SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY

NOVEMBER 30, 2019

- Whereas** *the City of Lancaster believes local and small businesses are the backbone of our economy and the glue that holds communities together; and*
- Whereas** *according to the U.S. Small Business Administration, there are currently 30.2 million small businesses in the United States representing 99.7 percent of all businesses with employees in the United States, and are responsible for 65.9 percent of net new jobs created from 2009 to 2019; and*
- Whereas** *these local businesses contribute positively to the community and City of Lancaster by paying taxes to help fund our municipal services; and*
- Whereas** *local businesses conveniently sell a wide range of great products and services; and*
- Whereas** *local businesses, whether they cater to neighborhoods, specialty services or other consumer needs, clearly serve a vital role in the community and City of Lancaster; and*
- Whereas** *supporting and shopping in these local businesses helps create jobs, reduces environmental impact, and preserve our neighborhoods; and*
- Whereas** *local, state and federal groups around the country have recognized the Saturday after Thanksgiving as **Small Business Saturday**, where last year consumers spent more than \$5.5 billion in local and small businesses.*

Now, therefore,

I, Danene Sorace, Mayor of the City of Lancaster, do hereby proclaim Saturday, November 30, 2019 "SHOP LOCAL LANCASTER DAY" in the City of Lancaster and ask the citizens of Lancaster City to promote the local and small businesses, and recognize the considerable contributions that they make to our community.

In witness thereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of this City to be affixed.

Danene Sorace, Mayor
November 30, 2019

