

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, according to the United States Small Business Administration, the 30.7 million small businesses in the United States represent 99.7% of all firms with paid employees, and are responsible for 64.9% of net new jobs created from 2000 to 2018; and

WHEREAS, 47.3% of the employees in the private sector in the United States are employed by small businesses; and

WHEREAS, 94% of consumers in the United States value the contributions small businesses make in their community; and

WHEREAS, 59% of small business owners have said that Small Business Saturday contributes significantly to their holiday sales each year; and

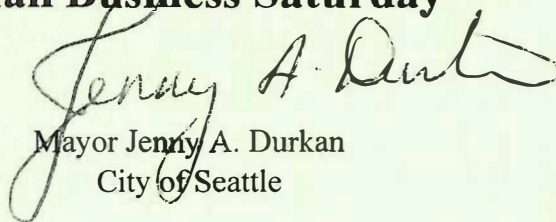
WHEREAS, advocacy groups, as well as public and private organizations across the country have endorsed the Saturday after Thanksgiving as Small Business Saturday; and

WHEREAS, the City of Seattle supports our local businesses that create jobs, boost our local economy and preserve our communities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Seattle encourages our communities to support small businesses and merchants on Small Business Saturday and throughout the year;

*NOW, THEREFORE I, JENNY A. DURKAN, MAYOR OF SEATTLE, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM
NOVEMBER 30, 2019 TO BE*

Small Business Saturday


Mayor Jenny A. Durkan
City of Seattle

