

**RESOLUTION 2018 -22**

**RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER 24, 2018 AS  
SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY IN THE CITY OF MASON**

**WHEREAS**, Small Business Saturday was created in the year 2010 as a day dedicated to supporting the diverse range of local businesses that help create jobs, boost the economy, and enhance neighborhoods around the country;

**WHEREAS**, according to the United States Small Business Administration there are 30.2 million small businesses in the country and they represent 99.7 percent of all businesses in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, small businesses accounted for 65.9 percent of new jobs created in the United States between 2000 and 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, small businesses employ 47.5 percent of the employees in the private sector in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, patronizing Mason's small businesses demonstrates our goodwill and commitment to preserving the communities in which we live; and

**WHEREAS**, small businesses often produce unique items or services building personal relationships that create a sense of community; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Mason, Ohio supports local businesses that create jobs, boost our local economy and preserve our neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS**, Mason recognizes the role small businesses play in the overall economic and development strategy of the City, 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**, I, Victor Kidd, Mayor of Mason, Ohio, on behalf of Mason City Council, do hereby proclaim, Saturday, November 24, 2018, as "Small Business Saturday" and urge Mason residents and other communities, to support small businesses and merchants on "Small Business Saturday" and throughout the year.

Passed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2018.

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Mayor Victor Kidd

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Lisa D. Ahr, Clerk of Council