

City of Vancouver, Washington

Proclamation

- WHEREAS, The City of Vancouver 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 34.7 million small businesses in the United States, small businesses represent 99.7% of firms with paid employees, small businesses are responsible for 61.1% of net new jobs created since 1995, and small businesses employ 45.9% of the employees in the private sector in the United States, and
- WHEREAS, 68 cents of every dollar spent at a small business in the U.S. stays in the local community and every dollar spent at small businesses creates an additional 48 cents in local business activity because of employees and local businesses purchasing local goods and services; and
- WHEREAS, The city of Vancouver supports our local businesses that create jobs, boost our local economy, and preserve our communities; 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, Anne McEnerny-Ogle, Mayor of Vancouver, Washington, do hereby proclaim
30th November as:

“ SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY ”

in the City of Vancouver and call upon the people of Vancouver and urge our community, and people across the country, to support small businesses and merchants on Small Business Saturday and Shop Small throughout the year.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Vancouver to be affixed this 18th day of November 2024.

Anne McEnerny-Ogle
ANNE MCENERNY-OGLE, MAYOR