

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, small businesses form the backbone of our local economy, generating jobs and improving the quality of life for citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of North Augusta, South Carolina acknowledge and celebrate the City's small businesses and the contributions they make to our community; and

WHEREAS, the impact on local small businesses resulting from the COVID pandemic has been dramatic and, in many instances, devastating; and

WHEREAS, 2020 marks the eleventh year of Small Business Saturday, a nationwide campaign to encourage shopping at local businesses on the Saturday after Thanksgiving to stimulate the local economy; and

WHEREAS, local organizations such as the North Augusta Chamber of Commerce and many other organizations across the country endorse the Saturday after Thanksgiving as Small Business Saturday.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Robert A. Pettit, Mayor of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina, do hereby claim November 28, 2020 as:

SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY

AND encourage our citizens to recognize and support small businesses within our community by shopping locally on the Saturday following Thanksgiving.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina, to be affixed this 16th day of November, 2020.

Robert A. Pettit, Mayor City of North Augusta

