

WHEREAS: the government of the Terre Haute, Indiana, 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

currently 30.2 million small businesses in the United States, they represent

99.7% of all businesses with employees in the United States, are responsible for 65.9% of net new jobs created from 2000 to 2017 and small businesses employ 47.5% of the employees in the private sector in

the United States; and

WHEREAS: 90% of consumers in the United States say Small Business Saturday has

had a positive impact on their community and 89% of consumers who are aware of Small Business Saturday said the day encourages them to Shop

Small all year long; and

WHEREAS: Terre Haute, Indiana 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, Duke A Bennett, Mayor of Terre Haute, Indiana do hereby proclaim, November 24, 2018, as:

SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY

and I urge the residents of our community, to support small businesses and merchants on Small Business Saturday and throughout the year.

N WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Terre Haute to be affixed this 24th day of November, 2018.

Mayor Duke A Bennett

