

A
RESOLUTION
of the
TOWN COUNCIL
&
Town of Windham, Maine

WHEREAS, the town of Windham, Maine celebrates its local small businesses and the contributions they make to the local economy and community; according to the United States Small Business Administration, there are currently 28.8 million small businesses in the United States, they represent 99.7 percent of all businesses with employees in the United States, are responsible for 63 percent of net new jobs created over the past 20 years, and

WHEREAS, small businesses employ over 49 percent of all businesses with employees in the United States; and

WHEREAS, 89 percent of consumers in the United States agree that small businesses contribute positively to the local community by supplying jobs and generating tax revenue; and

WHEREAS, 87 percent of consumers in the United States agree that small businesses are critical to the overall economic health of the United States; and

WHEREAS, 93 percent of consumers in the United States agree that it is important for people to support the small businesses that they value in their community; and

WHEREAS, Windham, Maine supports local businesses that create jobs, boost the local economy and preserve the community's neighborhoods; 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, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Town Council of the Town of Windham, Maine do hereby proclaim, November 26, 2016, as:

SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Seal of the Town of Windham, Maine to be affixed this 25th day of October, 2016.

Town Council of the Town of Windham, Maine:

Donna Chapman, Chairwoman

Dennis Welch, Vice Chairman

Robert Muir, Parliamentarian

Roy Moore

David Nadeau

Timothy Nangle

SEAL

Attest:

Linda Morrell, CMC
Town Clerk