



**CITY OF LACEY**  
***Official Proclamation***

**WHEREAS**, the City of Lacey celebrates and supports our local small businesses and the contributions they make to our local economy and community; and

**WHEREAS**, there are currently 30.2 million small businesses in the United States, which represents 99.7% of all businesses with employees in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, small businesses employ over 47.5% percent of all businesses with employees in the United States, and are responsible for 65.9% of net new jobs created over the past 20 years; and

**WHEREAS**, small businesses contribute positively to the local community by supplying jobs and generating tax revenue, and are critical to the overall economic health of the United States; and


**WHEREAS**, it is important for people to support the small businesses that they value in their community; and

**WHEREAS**, advocacy groups, and public and private organizations in our community and across the country have endorsed the Saturday after Thanksgiving as Small Business Saturday.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Andy Ryder, Mayor of the City of Lacey, on behalf of the Lacey City Council, do hereby proclaim Saturday, November 24, 2018, as

***Small Business Saturday***

in the City of Lacey, and encourage citizens to support small businesses and merchants on Small Business Saturday and throughout the year.

  
Mayor Andy Ryder  
November 15, 2018