

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 33.2 million small businesses in the United States, which represents 99.9% of firms with paid employees in the United States; and

WHEREAS, small businesses employ over 47.3% of employees in the private sector in the United States, and are responsible for 63% of new jobs created over the past 20 years; and

WHEREAS, 59% of shoppers reported they shopped online with a small business and 55% reported they dined or ordered takeout from a small restaurant, bar, or café on Small Business Saturday in 2022; and

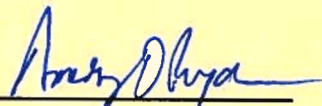
WHEREAS, the City of Lacey supports our local businesses that create jobs, boost our local economy, and preserve our communities; and

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 25, 2023, as

Small Business Saturday

in the City of Lacey, and urge all community members to support small businesses and merchants on Small Business Saturday and throughout the year.



Mayor Andy Ryder
November 16, 2023

