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COUNTY OF FRESNO STATE OF CALIFORNIA

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-334** 

IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAIMING NOVEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup>)
AS "SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY"

WHEREAS, Fresno County celebrates the entrepreneurial spirit of our local small businesses and the numerous contributions they make to our local economy and community; and

**WHEREAS,** according to the United States Small Business Administration, there are 32.5 million small businesses in the United States with small businesses making up 99.7% of firms with paid employees, and are responsible for 62% of new jobs created since 1995; and

WHEREAS, 79% of consumers recognize the value of supporting local small businesses on Small Business Saturday, with 70% reporting the day inspires them to encourage others to also shop locally from independently owned retailers in their community; and

WHEREAS, 58% of shoppers reported they made purchases online with a small business and 54% reported they dined or ordered takeout from a local restaurant, bar, or café on Small Business Saturday in 2021; and

**WHEREAS,** Fresno County supports local businesses that create jobs, boost our local economy, and preserve our communities; and

**WHEREAS,** advocacy groups, as well as public and private organizations throughout the United States, have endorsed the Saturday after Thanksgiving as Small Business Saturday.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Fresno County Board of Supervisors herby proclaims November 26<sup>th</sup> to be "Small Business Saturday" and urges residents of Fresno County to support small businesses and merchants on this day and throughout the year.

**THE FOREGOING,** was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno this 8<sup>th</sup> day of November 2022, to-wit:

AYES:

Supervisors Brandau, Magsig, Mendes, Pacheco, Quintero

NOES:

None None

ABSENT:

None

ABSTAINED: None

Brian Pacheco, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno

ATTEST:

BERNICE E. SEIDEL

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors County of Fresno, State of California

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