Proclamation

WHEREAS, the city of Mill Creek, Washington, celebrates our local small businesses and the contributions they make to our local economy and community; and

WHEREAS, small businesses employ 47.5% of all businesses with employees 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

WHEREAS, 89% of consumers who are aware of Small Business Saturday said the day encourages them to Shop Small all year long; and

WHEREAS, 73% of consumers who reportedly Shopped Small at independently-owned retailers and restaurants on Small Business Saturday did so with friends or family; and

WHEREAS, the most reported reason for consumers aware of the day to shop and dine at small, independently-owned businesses was to support their community; and

WHEREAS, Mill Creek, Washington supports our local businesses that create jobs, boost our local economy, and preserve our communities.

NOW, **THEREFORE**, I, Pam Pruitt, the Mayor of the City of Mill Creek, on behalf of the City Council do hereby proclaim November 29, 2019, as Small Business Saturday and encourage the community to support small businesses and merchants on Small Business Saturday and throughout the year.

Mill Creek
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Signed this 5th day of November, 2019

Pam Pruitt, Mayor

Attest

Gina Pfister, City Clerk

Michael G. Ciaravino, City Manager