



City of Takoma Park, Maryland Mayoral Proclamation

Love Your Local Day - March 30, 2019

WHEREAS, the City of Takoma Park recognizes that independent businesses make the community a special place to live and visit; and

WHEREAS, local business owners and operators invest in Takoma Park, contribute to the local economy, offer quality jobs for residents, engage in civic concerns, support local initiatives, and are essential to our success as a community; and

WHEREAS, support of these businesses is critical to maintaining a socially, environmentally, and financially sustainable and vibrant community; and

WHEREAS, we encourage shopping and dining local every day; and

WHEREAS, we celebrate Takoma's diverse collection of independent businesses in Old Town, the Takoma Junction, Takoma, DC, Flower Ave, Maple Ave, New Hampshire Ave, and the Takoma Langley Crossroads; and

WHEREAS, you can Love Your Local by shopping and dining or exercising, dancing, getting a haircut etc., in Takoma Park on March 30th and spend a minimum of \$10 in a local business that day to Love Your Local; and

WHEREAS, we also encourage you to use the day to tell a friend about a favorite local business or write a great review for a local business to help them generate more customers; and

WHEREAS, we believe that one of Takoma Park's great assets is its unique array of locally owned and operated, independent businesses which are part of the fabric of the community.

NOW, THEREFORE I, KATE STEWART, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim March 30, 2019 as "Love Your Local Day" in Takoma Park, and encourage all residents to support local businesses by buying locally on March 30th and throughout the year.

Dated this 20th day of March, 2019.

Attest:

**Kate Stewart
Mayor**

Jessie Carpenter, CMC
City Clerk