



Mayoral Proclamation

Small Business Saturday, November 28, 2020

- WHEREAS,** the City of Takoma Park celebrates our local small businesses and the contributions they make to our local economy and community; and
- WHEREAS,** advocacy groups and public and private organizations across the country have endorsed the Saturday after Thanksgiving as Small Business Saturday; and
- WHEREAS,** 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; 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 value the businesses located in Old Takoma, the Takoma/Langley Crossroads, Long Branch, Flower and Erie, along New Hampshire Avenue, and Maple Avenue, and celebrate the diversity of the goods and services they provide.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Kate Stewart, Mayor of the City of Takoma Park, Maryland, do hereby proclaim November 28, 2020 as "Small Business Saturday" in Takoma Park, and encourage all residents to support local businesses by buying locally on November 30 and throughout the year.

Dated this 18th day of November, 2020.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kate Stewart", is positioned above a horizontal line.

**Kate Stewart
Mayor**