

# The City of Everett

## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, small businesses represent 99.7 percent of American companies, are responsible for 63 percent of net new jobs created over the past 20 years and employ over 49 percent of all employees in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, small businesses contribute positively to the local community by supplying jobs and generating tax revenue; and

**WHEREAS**, consumers agree that small businesses are critical to the overall economic health of the United States and it is important for people to support the small businesses that they value in their community; and

**WHEREAS**, Everett supports local businesses that create jobs, boost our local economy and preserve our neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS**, advocacy groups as well as public and private organizations across the country have endorsed the Saturday after Thanksgiving as Small Business Saturday;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Ray Stephanson, Mayor of the City of Everett, do hereby proclaim November 26, 2016, as

### SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY

in the City of Everett and encourage all residents to support small businesses and merchants on Small Business Saturday and throughout the year.

Signed this 21st day of September, 2016

  
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Mayor Ray Stephanson

