



## PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS*, the City of Gillette, Wyoming, celebrates our local small businesses and the contribution they make to our local economy and community; according to the United States Small Business Administration, there are currently 27.9 million small businesses in the United States, they represent more than 99.7% of American companies, create two-thirds of the net new jobs, and generate 46% of private gross domestic product, as well as 54% of all US sales; and
- WHEREAS*, small businesses employ over 55% of the working population in the United States; and
- WHEREAS*, 89% of consumers in the United States agree that small businesses contribute positively to the local community by supplying jobs and generating tax revenue; and
- WHEREAS*, 87% of consumers in the United States agree that small businesses are critical to the overall economic health of the United States; and
- WHEREAS*, 93% of consumers in the United States agree that it is important for people to support the small businesses that they value in their community; and
- WHEREAS*, the City of Gillette, Wyoming supports our local businesses that create jobs, boost our local economy and preserve our neighborhoods; and
- WHEREAS*, advocacy groups and public and private organizations across the country have endorsed the Saturday after Thanksgiving as Small Business Saturday.

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Louise Carter-King, Mayor of Gillette, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the City of Gillette, County of Campbell, and State of Wyoming do hereby proclaim November 28, 2015 as:

### *Small Business Saturday*

And urge the residents of our community, and communities across the country, to support small businesses and merchants on Small Business Saturday and throughout the year.

Signed this 17<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2015.

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Louise Carter-King, Mayor

(Attested by)

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Karlene Abelseth, City Clerk