

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, small businesses form the backbone of our local economy, generating jobs and improving the quality of life for citizens; and

WHEREAS, from the storefront shops that anchor Main Street to the high-tech startups that keep America on the cutting edge, small businesses are the backbone of our economy and the cornerstones of our nation's promise; and

WHEREAS, when we support small business, jobs are created and local communities preserve their unique culture; and

WHEREAS, because this country's 30 million small businesses create nearly two out of three jobs in our economy, we cannot resolve ourselves to create jobs and spur economic growth in America without discussing ways to support our entrepreneurs; and

WHEREAS, Small Business Saturday is a nationwide campaign to cultivate business for small merchants on the Saturday after Thanksgiving; and

WHEREAS, Small Business Saturday will stimulate economic growth locally for small merchants by following in the tradition of Black Friday and Cyber Monday, two of the busiest shopping days of the year; and

WHEREAS, we encourage citizens to consider shopping small merchants on Small Business Saturday as a way to boost the local economy and strengthen our small business community.

WHEREAS, the City of Gillette, Wyoming supports and joins in this national effort to help America's small businesses do what they do best – grow their business, create jobs, and ensure that our communities remain as vibrant tomorrow as they are today.

NOW, **THEREFORE**, I, Mayor Louise Carter-King, Mayor of the City of Gillette, in the State of Wyoming, do hereby proclaim November 24, 2018 as:

SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY

and encourage our residents to recognize and support small businesses within our community by shopping these establishments on the Saturday following Thanksgiving.

Louise Carter-King, Mayor	Karlene Abelseth, City Clerk (Attest)	