

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, as we reflect upon the month of November, we recognize the importance of Small Business Saturday, celebrated on the Saturday following Thanksgiving, a day dedicated to supporting local businesses that are the backbone of our economy and community; and

WHEREAS, small businesses in North Port contribute significantly to the city's unique character, create jobs, and foster innovation, helping to build a resilient and vibrant local economy; and

WHEREAS, throughout November, Small Business Saturday encouraged our community to support these local enterprises, from one-of-a-kind boutiques to family-owned retailers and artisanal vendors, whose dedication and hard work embody the spirit of entrepreneurship; and

WHEREAS, we express our gratitude to residents, business owners, and organizations that worked to make last month's Small Business Saturday a success, demonstrating the power of shopping locally and the positive impact it has on our community and economy.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, do hereby proclaim the 30th day of November 2024, as

"Small Business Saturday"

and encourage all residents to continue supporting our small businesses throughout the year as they are essential to our city's growth and prosperity.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and Seal of the City of North Port, Florida, to be affixed this 9th day of December 2024.

CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA

Phil Stokes, Mayor

Pete Emrich, Vice-Mayor

David Duval, Commissioner



Barbara Langdon, Commissioner

Demetrius Petrow, Commissioner

ATTEST

Heather Faust, City Clerk