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PROCLAMATION

Designating November 28, 2026, as Small Business Saturday

WHEREAS, the City of Lincolnton celebrates our local small businesses and the contributions they make to our local economy and community; and

WHEREAS, small businesses represent a significant portion of all businesses operating in the United States and drive local job creation, economic growth, and innovation; and

WHEREAS, small businesses employ a vital portion of the working population, contributing to the health and vitality of our downtown and surrounding commercial corridors; and

WHEREAS, local retail, dining, and service businesses enrich the character of the City of Lincolnton, offering unique products and personal customer experiences; and

WHEREAS, dollars spent at locally owned businesses stay within the community, supporting local public services, schools, and community programs; and

WHEREAS, advocacy groups, business associations, and local leadership across the country have designated the Saturday following Thanksgiving as **Small Business Saturday** to encourage residents to shop small and support local merchants during the holiday season.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor of the City of Lincolnton, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim **Saturday, November 28, 2026**, as **"SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY"** in the City of Lincolnton, and urge all residents and visitors to join in supporting our local small businesses, downtown shopkeepers, and independent entrepreneurs on this day and throughout the entire year.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Lincolnton, North Carolina, to be affixed this 5th day of November, 2026.

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Ed Hatley, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Daphne Ingram, City Clerk