

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Small business owners fuel our great American dream of prosperity and living a wonderful quality of life by serving as a driver of our economy; and

WHEREAS: Over 247,000 small businesses in Arkansas are the foundation of our economy that represent over ninety-nine percent of Arkansas businesses that employ over 479,000 hard-working Arkansans; and

WHEREAS: Small business owners and operators continue to make a vital contribution to Arkansas economic power and success; and

WHEREAS: These entrepreneurs possess a fierce independence, a tremendous work ethic, and a commitment to building a better life that is the pillar of the American spirit; and

WHEREAS: These small businesses demonstrate, by their business acumen and achievements, that every one of our citizens is capable of attaining the American dream; and

WHEREAS: Founded in 2010, Small Business Saturday has become an important part of how many small businesses launch their busiest shopping season;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ASA HUTCHINSON, Governor of the State of Arkansas, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Arkansas, do hereby proclaim November 24, 2018, as

ARKANSAS SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY

across the State, and I urge all citizens to celebrate the achievements of small business and to support your local Arkansas small businesses by shopping small as we approach the holiday shopping season.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 1st day of November, in the year of our Lord 2018.




Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest:


Mark Martin, Secretary Of State