



Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland

SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY NOVEMBER 28, 2015

- WHEREAS,** *Small Business is the backbone of Maryland's economy and the glue that holds communities together; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Marylanders believe it is important to support the small businesses they value in their communities, and are willing to pledge support for a "Buy Local" small business initiative like Small Business Saturday; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Maryland supports our local businesses that create jobs, boost our local economies, and preserve our neighborhoods; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Advocacy groups join with public and private organizations across the country in promoting the Saturday after Thanksgiving as Small Business Saturday; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Residents of communities across the country are being asked to support small businesses and merchants on Small Business Saturday and throughout the year.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim NOVEMBER 28, 2015 as SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY in Maryland, and do commend this celebration to all of our citizens.



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,
this 28th day of November
Two Thousand and fifteen

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.
Governor

Robert K. Lathrop
Lt. Governor

John C. W. W. W.
Secretary of State