

PROCLAMATION

Small Business Saturday November 28, 2015

WHEREAS, the first ever Small Business Saturday was launched by American Express on November 27, 2010 to encourage people across the country to support small, local businesses; and

WHEREAS, in 2011 across the country, mayors, governors, senators and the President of the United States voiced their support for Small Business Saturday; and

WHEREAS, in 2012, 73.9 million people were recorded shopping in local, independent, small business locations; and

WHEREAS, in 2013, 1,450 neighborhood champions rallied to boost the program in their community; and

WHEREAS, in 2014, an estimated 14.3 billion dollars were spent at small businesses across the country by nearly 88 million people including Leesburg, Virginia; and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Commission supports Saturday, November 28, 2015 as Small Business Saturday in Leesburg.

NOW, THEREFORE PROCLAIMED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Leesburg in Virginia that Leesburg encourages residents to patronize the Town's small, independently owned and operated businesses on Saturday, November 28, 2015.

PROCLAIMED this 10th day of November, 2015.

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Diabetes Awareness Month Eat Well, America!

WHEREAS, diabetes affects nearly 30 million children and adults in the United States today – nearly 10 percent of the population; and

WHEREAS, another 86 million Americans have prediabetes and are at risk for developing type 2 diabetes; and

WHEREAS, recent estimates project that as many as 1 in 3 American adults will have diabetes by 2050 unless we take steps to Stop Diabetes ; and

WHEREAS, African Americans and Hispanics are almost twice as likely to have diabetes as non-Hispanic whites; and

WHEREAS, diabetes increases the risks of and mortality from heart disease and kidney disease, and is a leading cause of blindness and nerve damage in adults; and

WHEREAS, the American Diabetes Association supports eating well, which means more than just eating healthy – it means savoring food that is delicious, nutritious and simple to prepare.

NOW, THEREFORE PROCLAIMED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Leesburg in Virginia that November 2015 is Diabetes Awareness Month and all citizens are encouraged to “eat well” to achieve health and wellness every day.

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