

TOWN OF APEX
NORTH CAROLINA

Proclamation

Small Business Saturday 2017

from the Office of the Mayor

Whereas, the government of Apex, North Carolina celebrates our local small businesses and the contributions they make to our local economy and community; according to the United States Small Business Administration, there are currently 29.6 million small businesses in the United States, they represent 99.9 percent of American employer firms, create more than two-thirds of the net new jobs, and generate 46 percent of private gross domestic product, as well as 54 percent of all US sales; and

Whereas, small businesses employ over 55 percent of the working population in the United States; and

Whereas, 89 percent of consumers in the United States agree that small businesses contribute positively to the local community by supplying jobs and generating tax revenue; and

Whereas, 87 percent of consumers in the United States agree that small businesses are critical to the overall economic health of the United States; and

Whereas, 93 percent of consumers in the United States agree that it is important for people to support the small businesses that they value in their community; and

Whereas, Apex, North Carolina supports our local businesses that create jobs, boost our local economy and preserve our neighborhoods; and

Whereas, advocacy groups as well as public and private organizations across the country have endorsed the Saturday after Thanksgiving as "Small Business Saturday."

Now, Therefore, I, Lance Olive, Mayor of Apex, North Carolina do hereby proclaim, November 25, 2017, as **SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY**, and I urge the residents of our community, and communities across the country, to support small businesses and merchants on Small Business Saturday and throughout the year.

I hereby set my hand and have caused the Seal of the Town of Apex,
North Carolina, to be affixed this the 21st day of November 2017

Lance Olive, Mayor



"The Peak of Good Living"

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Town of Apex Arbor Day

from the Office of the Mayor

WHEREAS, in 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees; and

WHEREAS, this holiday called Arbor Day was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees; and

WHEREAS, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world; and

WHEREAS, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce life-giving oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS, trees in our town increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community; and

WHEREAS, the Apex Town Council and the Tree Citizen Advisory Panel (Tree CAP) will commemorate Arbor Day by planting a tree at the Apex Town Campus on December 13th, 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lance Olive, Mayor of the Town of Apex, do hereby proclaim December 13, 2017 as Arbor Day in the Town of Apex, and urge all citizens to celebrate our Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands.

I hereby set my hand and have caused the Seal
of the Town of Apex, North Carolina, to be affixed.
This the 5th day of December 2017.

Lance Olive, Mayor