

WHEREAS, Westminster's economy is driven by small businesses who think big, take risks and work hard; and

WHEREAS, from the storefront shops to the high-tech startups that keep Westminster on the cutting edge, small businesses are the backbone of our economy; and

WHEREAS, small business owners have energy and a passion for what they do; and

WHEREAS, when we support small business, jobs are created and Westminster preserves our culture; and

WHEREAS nearly 94% of our business are small businesses who create jobs and spur economic growth; and

WHEREAS, National Small Business Week has been recognized every year since 1963 to highlight the programs and services available to entrepreneurs through the U.S. Small Business Administration and other government agencies; and

WHEREAS, small business is Big Business, and the City, the City's Department of Economic Development, the City's thriving Chamber, and our local Small Business Development Center take an active role in advocacy, community development and business development in Westminster; and

WHEREAS, small businesses have felt the impact and economic loss caused by COVID-19, now more than ever small businesses need the continued support of their government and residents to move towards recovery; and

WHEREAS, the City of Westminster supports and joins in this national effort to help small businesses do what they do best – grow their business, create jobs, and ensure that our communities remain as vibrant tomorrow as they are today.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nancy McNally, Mayor of the City of Westminster, Colorado, do hereby proclaim the week of May 1st to May 7th as:

SMALL BUSINESS WEEK

Signed this 25th day of April 2022.

Nancy McNally, Mayor