



CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, small businesses are the engine of the American economy and the foundation of a free and prosperous nation, accounting for more than 99 percent of all private sector employers and creating most new jobs nationwide; and

WHEREAS, from our farms and factory floors to the frontiers of technology, small businesses drive innovation, strengthen local economies, and provide the products and services that keep America competitive, secure, and strong; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, inflation has come under control, real wages have begun to rise, and America's entrepreneurs are once again operating with confidence and optimism; and

WHEREAS, our nation now stands at the threshold of a new golden era for Main Street — built on common sense, pro-growth policies that put our people, our workers, and our job creators first; and

WHEREAS, National Small Business Week has been proclaimed by the President of the United States since 1963, honoring the vital role of small businesses in creating jobs, growing the economy, and anchoring our communities; and

WHEREAS, in 2026, the United States will commemorate the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, known as Freedom 250, marking a historic opportunity to reflect on our nation's founding principle of free enterprise.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Linda Hudson, Mayor of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, do hereby proclaim May 3-9, 2026 as:

National Small Business Week

in the City of Fort Pierce and encourage all citizens to support small businesses and celebrate their many achievements.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, to be affixed this 4th day of May, 2026.

MAYOR/COMMISSIONER

