



National Small Business Week

April 28th – May 4th, 2024

WHEREAS, There are 31 million small businesses in the U.S., which roughly make up around 99% of all the businesses in the country; and

WHEREAS, Small Businesses are the backbone and life blood of local economies in communities throughout the United States and serve as job creators and place-makers in our downtowns; and

WHEREAS, shopping locally allows area residents to invest in their own neighborhoods and grow the vibrancy of their communities, making our cities a wonderful place to live, work and play; and

WHEREAS, Small businesses have contributed significantly to the U.S. economy by generating wealth and creating approximately 1.5 million jobs every year; and

WHEREAS, In 1963, after the proclamation from President John F. Kennedy, the first National Small Business Week was celebrated to honor the top entrepreneurs in every state and the week became an annual practice to encourage other small business owners and enable them to learn from the success stories of the top performers; and

WHEREAS, Small businesses and small business support organizations like Chambers of Commerce, small business associations and other nonprofit service organizations are key collaborators in advancing our agenda for equitable economic growth; and

WHEREAS, the contributions of our small business sector should be recognized and celebrated by our cities; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Ralph Gutierrez, Mayor of the City of Schertz do hereby proclaim the week of April 28th – May 4th, 2024, as

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and urge all the citizens of our city to take cognizance of this event and participate fittingly in its observance.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the SEAL of the City of Schertz to be affixed to this on the 16th day of April 2024.

Ralph Gutierrez, Mayor