NATIONAL SMALL BUSINESS WEEK IN FLORIDA

WHEREAS, America's progress has been driven by pioneers who think big, take risks, and work hard; and

WHEREAS, Florida is dedicated to providing an environment where businesses, large and small, can thrive; and

WHEREAS, our state is committed to small businesses by reducing government costs, improving our education system and ensuring our warm weather is complemented by a healthy infrastructure and clean environment; and

WHEREAS, small business owners' and Main Street businesses' energy and passion are complimented by a government committed to cultivating an environment where small businesses can succeed; and

WHEREAS, when we support small business, jobs are created and local communities preserve their unique culture; and

WHEREAS, Florida has more than 440,000 small businesses that create one out of three new jobs in our economy over the year; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States has proclaimed National Small Business Week 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, the State of Florida supports and joins in this national effort to help America's 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, Ron DeSantis, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing May 5-11, 2019, as National Small Business Week in Florida.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 5th day of May, in the year two thousand nineteen.

[Signature]
Governor

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