

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Small businesses are an essential element of our
2 state's economy, and their viability has far-reaching benefits for
3 the communities in which they operate; and

4 WHEREAS, Texas is home to 3.1 million small businesses, which
5 are defined as companies that employ fewer than 500 people; these
6 enterprises represent 99.8 percent of all businesses in Texas, and
7 they employ close to half of the state's residents; and

8 WHEREAS, From clothing designers to food trucks, bookstores
9 to auto mechanics, and tech startups to construction firms, small
10 businesses operate in a diverse range of industries and provide a
11 broad spectrum of products and services; and

12 WHEREAS, Beyond providing goods and services, small
13 businesses create jobs and stimulate commercial activity within
14 their communities; their role as engines of economic productivity
15 stems from the fact that the businesses often rely on local supply
16 chains, and their smaller size allows them to adapt to and
17 accommodate the demands of local customers and the unique character
18 of their neighborhoods; and

19 WHEREAS, Despite being major drivers of commercial growth,
20 small businesses face significant challenges, including economic
21 uncertainty, rising costs, and difficulties in finding workers;
22 fostering a supportive environment for these enterprises is key to
23 ensuring their long-term viability and will assist hardworking
24 entrepreneurs in adjusting to changing market conditions; and

1 WHEREAS, By choosing to patronize small businesses, we are
2 investing in the future prosperity of our towns and cities and our
3 state at large, and it is fitting that we set aside a day each month
4 to encourage Texans to shop local and show their support for the
5 small businesses in their communities; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the 89th Legislature of the State of Texas
7 hereby designate the first Saturday of every month as Small
8 Business Saturday; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That, in accordance with the provisions of
10 Section 391.004(d), Government Code, this designation remain in
11 effect until the 10th anniversary of the date this resolution is
12 finally passed by the legislature.

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 9 was adopted by the House on May 19, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 120, Nays 13, 4 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.C.R. No. 9 on May 28, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 127, Nays 3, 3 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

H.C.R. No. 9

I certify that H.C.R. No. 9 was adopted by the Senate, as amended, on May 25, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____
Date

Governor