



SCAPPOOSE
Oregon

**Proclamation
National Small Business Month**

WHEREAS, the month of May 2023, has been designated as National Small Business Month, in recognition of the critical contributions of America's entrepreneurs and small business owners; and

WHEREAS, nationally more than half of Americans either own or work for a small business, and they create two out of every three new jobs in the U.S. each year. Small businesses are the backbone of our economy and we must work to ensure that our city recovers and rebuilds not only from the top down, but also from the bottom up and the middle out; and

WHEREAS, locally, in Scappoose, Oregon 95% of our businesses are small businesses with 50 or fewer employees. The City of Scappoose offers assistance by waiving the city business license fee, and also recognizes that small business assistance is a partnership with our affiliated organizations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Scappoose takes this opportunity to highlight the impact of outstanding entrepreneurs and small business owners, and recognizes that Small Business Month is a time for us to celebrate the successes of small business and to thank our small business owners for their contributions to our city, our economy, and our nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Joseph A. Backus, Mayor of Scappoose, do hereby proclaim May 2023, as:

"Small Business Month"

In the City of Scappoose and urge all residents of Scappoose to participate in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Scappoose, to be affixed this 1st day of May, 2023.

CITY OF SCAPPOOSE, OREGON

Mayor Joseph A. Backus

Attest:

Susan M. Reeves, MMC, City Recorder