PROCLAMATION

SHOP WISCONSIN DOWNTOWNS THIS HOLIDAY SEASON!

WHEREAS, the City of Kaukauna celebrates our local small businesses and the contributions they make to our local economy and community; according to the United States Small Business Administration, there are 33.2 million small businesses in the United States; and

WHEREAS, businesses of 500 employees or fewer make up 99.9% of all US businesses and 99.7% of firms with paid employees; and

WHEREAS, studies have found that for every \$1.00 spent at a local business, 67 cents is reinvested locally; and

WHEREAS, supporting a local business secures jobs, boosts our local economy and preserves our communities. Small businesses employ 46.8% of the employees in the private sector in the United States; and

WHEREAS, local businesses need your support now. Your local businesses continue to provide safe options for online shopping, pick up, delivery and in person visits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I, Anthony J. Penterman, Mayor of the City of Kaukauna, Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim, our community as an advocate for *Shop WI Downtowns* to make every day Small Business Saturday **AND** urge the residents of our community to Shop Wisconsin Downtowns and support Wisconsin's small businesses, artisans and craftspeople, and merchants, during this critical time and beyond.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Kaukauna to be affixed this 26th day of November, 2022.

CITY OF KAUKAUNA

Anthony J. Penterman, Mayor