



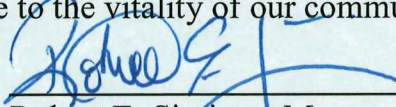
The Office of the Mayor
PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** small businesses are an integral part of the fabric of our community, contributing to the vibrancy, diversity, and economic prosperity of Meridian, Idaho, and,
- WHEREAS,** these businesses, each with their unique offerings, serve as the backbone of our local economy, providing employment opportunities, showcasing creativity, and offering invaluable goods and services that enrich the lives of our residents and,
- WHEREAS,** our community united in our responsibility, is called upon to support small businesses that make a profound impact on our economy and,
- WHEREAS,** the Support Local Gems initiative aims to celebrate and bolster Idaho's small businesses with the collaboration and support of Idaho's chambers of commerce, business associations, elected officials, small businesses across the Gem State, and all Idahoans and,
- WHEREAS,** on Friday, June 7, 2024, the City of Meridian joins in this statewide celebration, encouraging all residents to show their love and support for our local small businesses,
- THEREFORE,** I, Mayor Robert E. Simison, hereby proclaim June 7th, 2024 as

Support Local Idaho Gems Day

in Meridian, we urge all residents to participate in this initiative by patronizing our small businesses, dining at local restaurants, shopping at neighborhood retailers, and expressing gratitude to the businesses that contribute to the vitality of our community.

Dated this 4th day of June, 2024


Robert E. Simison, Mayor

Luke Cavener, City Council President
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