

TOWN OF CLAYTON
Proclamation
SHOP LOCAL CLAYTON DAY - SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2013

WHEREAS, the Town of Clayton believes local and small businesses are the backbone of our economy and the glue that holds communities together; and

WHEREAS, there are currently 28 million small businesses in the United States providing more than half the private sector jobs in the country, according to the U.S. Small Business Administration; and

WHEREAS, these local businesses contribute positively to the community and Town of Clayton by paying taxes to help fund our municipal services; and

WHEREAS, local businesses conveniently sell a wide range of great products and services; and

WHEREAS, these local businesses, whether they cater to neighborhoods, specialty service or other consumer needs, clearly serve a vital role in the community and Town of Clayton's success;

WHEREAS, supporting and shopping in these local businesses helps create jobs, reduces environmental impact, and preserves our neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, local, state and federal groups around the country have recognized the Saturday after Thanksgiving as Small Business Saturday where last year consumers spent more than \$5.5 billion in local and small businesses.

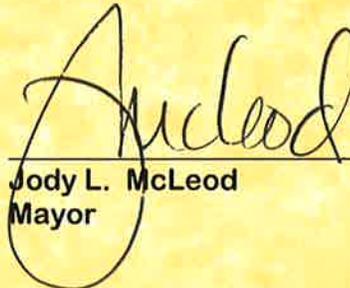
NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE PROCLAIMED by the Honorable Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Clayton, North Carolina that Saturday, November 30, 2013, be recognized as:

“SHOP LOCAL CLAYTON DAY”

In an effort to promote the local and small businesses, recognize the considerable contributions they make to our community and to encourage all citizens in Clayton to **SHOP LOCAL!**

Duly proclaimed by the Clayton Town Council this the 18th day of November 2013, while in regular session.





Jody L. McLeod
Mayor