

# The County of Centre

## PROCLAMATION

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**WHEREAS**, Pennsylvania's progress has been driven by pioneers who think big, take risks, and work hard; and

**WHEREAS**, from the storefront shops that anchor Main Street to the high-tech startups that keep Pennsylvania on the cutting edge, small businesses are the backbone of our economy and the keystones of our commonwealth's promise; and

**WHEREAS**, when we support small business, jobs are created and local communities preserve their unique culture; and

**WHEREAS**, Centre County's small businesses are the mainstay of the county and region's economy. They bring innovative ideas to the market; provide valuable services to the community; create unique shopping experiences; attract visitors to the region; and contribute to our overall quality of life; and

**WHEREAS**, the President of the United States has proclaimed National Small Business Week every year since 1963 to highlight the programs and services available to entrepreneurs through the U.S. Small Business Administration and other government agencies' and

**WHEREAS**, Centre County along with the Chamber of Business and Industry of Centre County and a network of local resources and organizations support and join in this national and state effort to help America's small business do what they do best – grow their business, create jobs, and ensure that our communities remain as vibrant tomorrow as they are today.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, in recognition of small businesses, the Centre County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim **April 30-May 6, 2017** as "**Small Business Week**" in Centre County. By joining together, we bring community and state attention to the power of small businesses in our local economies.

**ADOPTED** this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May 2017.



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