

REFERENCE TITLE: **small business day 2020**

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## **HR 2005**

Introduced by  
Representatives Petersen: Biasiucci, Blackman, Bolick, Carroll, Cobb,  
Cook, Dunn, Griffin, Kavanagh, Kern, Payne, Roberts, Shope, Weninger

**A RESOLUTION**

**PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 13, 2020 AS SMALL BUSINESS DAY IN ARIZONA.**

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1           Whereas, 99.4 percent of all businesses in Arizona are small  
2 businesses, according to the United States Small Business Administration's  
3 Office of Advocacy; and

4           Whereas, small businesses employed one million Arizonans and created  
5 43,792 new jobs; and

6           Whereas, the number of small business exporters has climbed to  
7 6,462; and

8           Whereas, small businesses pay 30 percent more for regulatory  
9 compliance and three times more for tax compliance than big businesses;  
10 and

11           Whereas, 85 percent of small businesses are organized as  
12 pass-through entities, meaning personal, not corporate, tax rates matter  
13 more to them; and

14           Whereas, the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB), now  
15 in its 76th year, is the nation's largest small-business association and,  
16 according to the Phoenix Business Journal, the largest business advocacy  
17 group in Arizona; and

18           Whereas, NFIB was named the top-performing association for achieving  
19 policy goals in three categories – coalition building, grassroots efforts  
20 and being an industry reputation steward – in APCO Worldwide's 2019  
21 TradeMarks study; and

22           Whereas, NFIB's monthly Small Business Optimism Index has been  
23 recording record 46-year highs in small business hiring, employee  
24 compensation and plans to expand; and

25           Whereas, NFIB's Small Business Day draws entrepreneurs from all  
26 around Arizona for the opportunity to hear directly from, and talk  
27 directly to, the elected officials and the governmental agency executives  
28 who make and shape the laws they must live by.

29 Therefore

30 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Arizona:

31           That the Members of the House of Representatives proclaim February  
32 13, 2020 as Small Business Day in Arizona.