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Introduced by
Senators Gray: Bowie, Kerr; Representatives Bolick, Osborne

A RESOLUTION

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

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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 Senate of the State of Arizona:

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