## **OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**

## **CITY OF**

## DES PLAINES, ILLINOIS

- WHEREAS, the month of May is recognized as Small Business Month; and
- WHEREAS, for generations, small businesses across America have shaped and embodied our Nation's entrepreneurial spirit and driven our economy forward; and
- WHEREAS, according to the U.S. Small Business Administration, there are 33.2 million small businesses across America, representing most businesses in the U.S.; and
- WHEREAS, small businesses create the majority of jobs in the U.S., and they are also a significant source of innovation, economic growth, and national prosperity; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Des Plaines takes this opportunity to highlight the impact of entrepreneurs and small business owners in our community and recognizes that Small Business Month is a time for us to celebrate the successes of these small businesses; and
- WHEREAS, our small business community contributes to the rich, vibrant texture and culture of Des Plaines, the community should continue to support them and their contributions to our city and economy.

Now, therefore, I, ANDREW GOCZKOWSKI, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF DES PLAINES, do hereby proclaim May as

## SMALL BUSINESS MONTH

Dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2023

Andrew Goczkowski, Mayor