



## **Proclamation National Small Business Week**

**WHEREAS**, small businesses are the backbone of our economy, employing the majority of our citizens and contributing to the growth and prosperity of our community; and

**WHEREAS**, National Small Business Week is an annual celebration of the entrepreneurial spirit and contributions of small businesses across the country; and

**WHEREAS**, we are committed to promoting the growth and success of small businesses in our city by providing them with the resources and support they need to thrive; and

**WHEREAS**, we call upon all citizens to recognize the contributions of small businesses to our economy and to support them by shopping locally, eating at local restaurants, and utilizing local services; and

**WHEREAS**, we also call upon local governments and business communities to work together to create initiatives and programs that will help small businesses in cities succeed; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Marquette supports and joins in this national effort to recognize the contributions of small businesses to the American economy and their importance to ensuring that our local communities remain as vibrant tomorrow as they are today.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Mayor and City Commission of the City of Marquette hereby proclaim the week of **May 4-10, 2025, as National Small Business Week** in the City of Marquette, Michigan, and encourage all residents to support small businesses and celebrate their many achievements.

**DATED** this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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Jessica Hanley, Mayor