**A Resolution to Encourage Buying Local**

**WHEREAS**, American consumers spent over $3.4 billion on Cyber Monday; and

**WHEREAS**, that online spending was greater than in-person purchasing on Black Friday; and

**WHEREAS**, online spending often does not provide taxable income to the locality in which the consumer lives; and

**WHEREAS**, the lure of deals online discourages consumers from purchasing from local vendors; and

**WHEREAS**, money spent at a brick and mortar vendor stays within the local community through salary and taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, consumers have a responsibility to support their neighbors; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled that consumers should patronize local vendors exclusively.