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S. RES. 400

Recognizing October 2019 as “National Women’s Small Business Month”.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 31, 2019

Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. BRAUN, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. COONS, Mr. RISCH, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. KENNEDY, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mrs. CAPITO, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. GARDNER, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. CRAPO, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. KING, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. HASSAN, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Ms. SINEMA, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. YOUNG, Ms. ERNST, Mr. PERDUE, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. DAINES, Mr. WICKER, Mr. ROMNEY, Mr. ENZI, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. HAWLEY, Mr. LANKFORD, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. PETERS, Mr. HOEVEN, and Ms. MCSALLY) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Recognizing October 2019 as “National Women’s Small Business Month”.

Whereas the National Women’s Business Council has declared October 2019 “National Women’s Small Business Month”;

Whereas there are more than 12,900,000 women-owned small businesses in the United States;

Whereas women-owned small businesses generate \$1,900,000,000,000 in total receipts, which is a 21 per cent increase since 2014;

Whereas the growth rate for women-owned employer firms is more than double the growth rate of all other small businesses;

Whereas, in comparison to 2014, there are nearly 2,250,000 additional women-owned employer firms and nearly 700,000 additional jobs;

Whereas Congress continues to support the National Women’s Business Council and its focus on alleviating obstacles women face as business owners and entrepreneurs;

Whereas the celebration of “National Women’s Small Business Month” would—

- (1) honor women small business owners and women entrepreneurs; and
- (2) recognize the significance of the contributions of women to the small business community: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) recognizes October 2019 as “National
3 Women’s Small Business Month”;

4 (2) honors the vital role of women small busi-
5 ness owners and women entrepreneurs in the United
6 States during “National Women’s Small Business
7 Month”;

8 (3) recognizes the significant contributions of
9 women small business owners and women entre-
10 preneurs to the small business community;

1 (4) supports and encourages young women en-
2 trepreneurs to pursue their passions and create more
3 start-up businesses;

4 (5) recognizes the importance of creating poli-
5 cies that promote a business-friendly environment
6 for small business owners that is free of unnecessary
7 and burdensome regulations and red tape; and

8 (6) supports efforts to—

9 (A) encourage consumers to shop locally;
10 and

11 (B) increase awareness of the value of lo-
12 cally-owned small businesses and the impact of
13 women-owned small businesses on the economy
14 of the United States.

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