

**A PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOLEDAD
RECOGNIZING MAY 4TH – MAY 10TH AS NATIONAL SMALL BUSINESS WEEK**

WHEREAS, small businesses are the backbone of our economy, driving innovation, creating jobs, and fostering community growth; and

WHEREAS, the resilience, creativity, and dedication of small business owners contribute to the vitality and diversity of our local and global markets; and

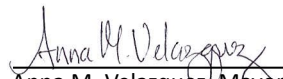
WHEREAS, small businesses embody the entrepreneurial spirit, representing the dreams, aspirations, and hard work of individuals and families across our nation; and

WHEREAS, in the theme of this year's Small Business Week, "Empowering Business Owners for the Future," all of our small businesses have demonstrated that Soledad is the perfect place to start a new business; and

WHEREAS, the City of Soledad, through our Community and Economic Development Department, will continue to support any resident who wants to open a small business.

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Soledad hereby proclaims the week of May 4th – May 10th as **NATIONAL SMALL BUSINESS WEEK**. We encourage all community members to join us in acknowledging the vital role that small businesses play in our society and patronizing our small businesses. Let us express our heartfelt appreciation for their impact on our communities, ingenuity, and perseverance.


Dated on this 7th day of May 2025



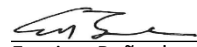
Anna M. Velazquez, Mayor



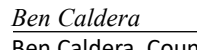
Fernando Cabrera, Mayor Pro Tem



Fernando Ansaldo-Sanchez, Councilmember



Evarista Bañuelos, Councilmember



Ben Caldera, Councilmember