

September 27, 2021

Moved by Councillor Seconded by Councillor

**WHEREAS** Small Business Week is an annual national celebration; and

**WHEREAS** 2021 theme is "Seizing the Opportunity to Build the Way Forward"; and

**WHEREAS** all citizens join together to discuss solutions and opportunities that lie ahead for Canadian entrepreneurs; and

**WHEREAS** entrepreneurs and their innovative businesses are key to Canada's economic growth; and

**WHEREAS** COVID-19 pandemic health emergency in Canada has been very challenging for small businesses have been through more than a year of unprecedented challenges; and

**WHEREAS** support your local small businesses as we look to maintain and recover from these challenges;

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Mayor, William C. Steele, proclaim October 17 to 23, 2021 as **"Small Business Week"** in the City of Port Colborne and encourage all citizens to recognize and celebrate our Small Businesses in Port Colborne.

William C. Steele Mayor