

# CITY OF SPOKANE



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, Expo '74 marked a defining moment in our city's history, drawing more than 5 million visitors and etching our name as the smallest city to host a World's Fair; half a century later, Spokane is again opening its arms to people from both near and far to join us in commemorating the remarkable strides made since that historic celebration; and

**WHEREAS**, Spokane has undergone significant transformations since 1974, with new infrastructure, economic growth, and a renewed focus on sustainability including the renovation of Riverfront Park, the site of Expo '74; and

**WHEREAS**, the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration echoes Expo '74's theme of environmental stewardship, while also spotlighting Expo's legacy, tribal culture, recreation & sport, and arts & culture; these pillars embody the essence of Spokane's rich tapestry of values reflective of our commitment to preserving our natural heritage and fostering sustainable practices, honoring diverse traditions and contributions of tribal communities, and showcasing our pride in the impact of Expo '74 on our community:

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of the City of Spokane, on behalf of the people of Spokane, do hereby proclaim May 4, 2024 as

### EXPO 50<sup>TH</sup> CELEBRATION OPENING DAY

in Spokane and encourage all residents to participate in and enjoy the wide variety of activities planned during the Expo 50<sup>th</sup> Celebration all while reflecting on the efforts of those who made Expo '74 possible and recognizing the lasting impact it made on our city.

I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of Spokane,  
do hereunto set my hand and  
cause the seal of the City of Spokane  
to be affixed this  
29th day of April 2024.

*Lisa Brown*

Lisa Brown  
Mayor

