

# CITY OF SPOKANE



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, the resilience of American small business continues to drive America's strongest economic growth in almost 40 years, fostering the competition and innovation that creates opportunities for families, workers, and neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS**, small businesses are the backbone of our communities and the American economy, employing more than half of our Nation's workers, enriching our Main Streets, making parts and products in America to fuel our supply chains, building our Nation's infrastructure, and innovating and inventing the products of tomorrow; and

**WHEREAS**, the historic investments made through the President's American Rescue Plan, Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, CHIPS and Science Act, and Inflation Reduction Act are ensuring small businesses can access federal capital support, technical assistance, contracting opportunities, and other resources to help lead the way as we rebuild America's roads and bridges and build a clean energy economy for the future; and

**WHEREAS**, when we support small businesses, jobs are created, and local communities preserve their unique culture and enjoy new opportunities to build generational wealth and entrepreneurship continues to be one of the best pathways to the American Dream; and by renewing our commitment to supporting small businesses, we can maintain our global competitiveness and build a stronger Nation where everyone can succeed – from the bottom up and middle out:

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of the City of Spokane, on behalf of the people of Spokane, do hereby proclaim April 28-May 4 as

### NATIONAL SMALL BUSINESS WEEK

in Spokane and encourage all people to join is the national effort to recognize the contributions of small businesses to the American economy and their importance in ensuring that our local communities remain as vibrant tomorrow as they are today.

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

