

CITY OF SPOKANE



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Indigenous Peoples' Day was first proposed in 1977 by a delegation of Native Nations to the United Nations sponsored International Conference on Discrimination Against Indigenous populations in the Americas and the United States endorsed the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples on December 16, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Declaration recognizes the right of indigenous peoples "to the dignity and diversity of their cultures, traditions, histories and aspirations which shall be appropriately reflected in education and public information" and places an obligation on States to "take effective measures, in consultation and cooperation with the indigenous peoples concerned, to combat prejudice and eliminate discrimination and to promote tolerance, understanding and good relations among indigenous peoples and all other segments of society"; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, the Spokane City Council approved a resolution establishing the second Monday in October as Indigenous Peoples' Day as an opportunity for the community to reflect on the ongoing struggles of Indigenous People of this land and to celebrate the thriving cultures and values of the Indigenous Peoples of our region:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nadine Woodward, Mayor of the City of Spokane, on behalf of the citizens of Spokane, do hereby proclaim October 12, 2020 as

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY

in Spokane and recognize and salute indigenous American populations for their history, their resiliency, and their contributions to American culture.

I, Nadine Woodward, Mayor of Spokane,
do hereunto set my hand and
cause the seal of the City of Spokane
to be affixed this
12th day of October 2020.

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "Nadine Woodward".

Nadine Woodward
Mayor

