

CITY OF SPOKANE



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, as part of National Child Abuse Prevention Month, Our Kids: Our Business is a *call to action* for the Spokane region that supports a successful childhood at every stage of development; and

WHEREAS, every child deserves to be born into a safe and nurturing environment and have access to an education that promotes success in life and in future careers and a love of life-long learning and as neighbors and community members, we all take responsibility to keep children safe from harm and assist them in achieving their full potential; and

WHEREAS, decades of research have revealed that tremendous brain growth and exuberant learning occurs during infancy and early childhood, setting the foundation for a lifetime of learning and health, and effective programs have the best chance to succeed when we invest in children and families early and create partnerships among all sectors of the community including social service agencies, schools, religious and civic organizations, health and medical organizations, fire service, law enforcement agencies, and businesses:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nadine Woodward, Mayor of the City of Spokane, on behalf of the citizens of Spokane, do hereby proclaim April 2021 as

OUR KIDS: OUR BUSINESS MONTH

in Spokane and encourage citizens to join in the effort to increase community connections and collaborations including individuals, social service agencies, businesses and neighborhoods.

I, Nadine Woodward, Mayor of Spokane,
do hereunto set my hand and
cause the seal of the City of Spokane
to be affixed this
31st day of March 2021.

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

Nadine Woodward
Mayor

