

CITY OF SPOKANE



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the arts and humanities embody much of the accumulated wisdom, intellect, and imagination of humankind, and cities and states have celebrated the value and importance of culture in the lives of Americans and the health of thriving communities during National Arts and Humanities Month for several years; and

WHEREAS, it is the goal of national arts partners to use this month to focus on equitable access to the arts at local, state, and national levels; encourage individuals, organizations, and diverse communities to participate in the arts, allow governments and businesses to show their support of the arts; and raise public awareness about the role the arts and humanities play in our communities and lives; and

WHEREAS, the coronavirus has had a devastating impact on America's arts sector, with 99% of producing and presenting organizations having canceled events and artists being among the most severely affected segment of the nation's workforce; yet notwithstanding this fact, the arts have helped collectively lead us throughout the darkest times of the pandemic—lifting our spirits, unifying communities, and jump-starting the economy:

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

ARTS AND HUMANITIES MONTH

in Spokane and encourage our community members to celebrate and promote the arts and culture in our city and participate in arts and humanities events, not just this month, but year-round.

I, Nadine Woodward, Mayor of Spokane,
do hereunto set my hand and
cause the seal of the City of Spokane
to be affixed this
21st day of September 2021.

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

Nadine Woodward
Mayor

