

CITY OF SPOKANE



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, on October 23, 1992, President George H.W. Bush signed into law annually proclaiming the month of May as Asian Pacific American Heritage Month to recognize and celebrate the rich cultural heritage and contributions of the Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) communities, and in 2021, President Joseph R. Biden updated the official designation to include Native Hawaiian (AANHPI) communities; and

WHEREAS, AANHPI's have made significant contributions to the growth, diversity of culture, and vibrancy of Spokane throughout its history and continue to enrich our community through contributions in many professions and fields, including those actively serving our nation at Fairchild Air Force Base; and

WHEREAS, despite the bitter hardships and political, social, and economic conditions in the United States throughout the years, many AANHPI's continue to settle in Spokane as immigrants, refugees, and United States citizens to make Spokane their home and contribute to the economic prosperity, cultural diversity, and civic engagement that make Spokane a wonderful community:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nadine Woodward, Mayor of the City of Spokane, on behalf of the citizens of Spokane do hereby proclaim May 2022 as

ASIAN AMERICAN NATIVE HAWAIIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH

in Spokane and encourage all citizens to celebrate the cultural diversity of Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders by learning about the many different cultures, languages, and ethnicities that embody the AANHPI community.

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 May in 2022.

Nadine Woodward
Mayor

