

# CITY OF SPOKANE



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, one in eight women are diagnosed with breast cancer in their lifetime, and female breast cancer is the most common cancer amongst Washington residents. Less than 50% of women nationally who have mastectomy receive consultation for breast reconstruction surgery, and less than 25% of women nationally understand their reconstruction options when undergoing breast cancer treatment; and

**WHEREAS**, Multiple federal mandates, including the 1998 Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act, and the 2015 Breast Cancer Patient Education Act, ensure women's access to reconstructive breast services, and enable women's understanding of their reconstructive options; and

**WHEREAS**, BRA (Breast Reconstruction Awareness) Day is an internationally recognized day dedicated toward raising awareness of breast reconstruction options for the breast cancer community, through education, advocacy, and access. BRA Day occurs annually on the 3rd Wednesday of October:

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Nadine Woodward, Mayor of the City of Spokane, on behalf of the citizens of Spokane, do hereby proclaim October 19, 2022, as

### BREAST RECONSTRUCTION AWARENESS DAY

in Spokane as an honorary day of awareness, beginning on October 19, 2022, and continuing annually on the third Wednesday of every October.

I, Nadine Woodward, Mayor of Spokane,  
do hereunto set my hand and  
cause the seal of the City of Spokane  
to be affixed this  
23 day of October 2022.

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

Nadine Woodward  
Mayor

