

CITY OF SPOKANE



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Community Health Centers provide high-quality, affordable, comprehensive healthcare in our nation's medically underserved communities, having a significant impact on America's healthcare system; and

WHEREAS, every day, Community Health Centers develop new approaches to integrating a wide range of services beyond primary care, including oral health, behavioral health, pharmacy, and mobile services, to provide comprehensive care, allowing each community member to thrive; and

WHEREAS, this year CHAS Health is celebrating 30 years as a Community Health Center serving Spokane County and beyond, growing from a two-exam-room clinic in downtown Spokane to serving over 111,000 patients in 2023; and

WHEREAS, CHAS Health employs over 1,800 people including providers, clinical support staff, community health workers, apprentices, administrative staff, and more; and

WHEREAS, The Community Health Center model continues to prove effective as a means of overcoming barriers to healthcare access, including geography, income, and insurance status – improving health outcomes and reducing healthcare system costs; and

WHEREAS, National Health Center Week offers the opportunity to celebrate America's more than 1,400 Community Health Center organizations like CHAS Health. We honor their dedicated staff and board members for their vital role in shaping the past, present, and future of America's healthcare system:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of the City of Spokane, on behalf of the people of Spokane, do hereby proclaim August 4-10, 2024 as

NATIONAL HEALTH CENTER WEEK

in Spokane and encourage all residents to participate in this week by visiting a Community Health Center near them and celebrating this vital partnership between CHAS Health and the City of Spokane.

I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of Spokane,
do hereunto set my hand and
cause the seal of the City of Spokane
to be affixed this
8th day of August 2024.

Lisa Brown

Lisa Brown
Mayor

