CITY OF SPOKANE

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, many parents and families across the United States are devastated each year by the loss of their child to stillbirth, miscarriage, SIDS, or any other cause at any point during pregnancy or infancy; and

WHEREAS, in 1988, US President Ronald Reagan declared October as National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month to recognize the unique grief of bereaved parents in an effort to demonstrate support to the many families who have suffered such a tragic loss; and

WHEREAS, promoting awareness of pregnancy and infant loss not only increases the likelihood that grieving families will receive understanding and support, but also results in improved education and prevention efforts which may ultimately reduce the incidence of these tragedies:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of the City of Spokane, on behalf of the people of Spokane, do hereby proclaim October 2024 as

PREGNANCY AND INFANT LOSS AWARENESS MONTH

in Spokane and, in remembrance of Colton Dee Langan, encourage parents, caregivers, and all residents to become educated in opportunities to prevent pregnancy and infant loss and support bereaved families when prevention is not possible.

I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of Spokane, do hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Spokane to be affixed this 25th day of September 2024.

Lisa Brown Mayor

