## CITY OF SPOKANE

## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the year 2024 marks the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Unity in the Community, a signature event to commemorate Spokane community's diversity and cultural unity; established in 1994 by the members of the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church in collaboration with other community organizations. Unity in the Community brings people together for a day of celebration and unity; and

WHEREAS, Unity in the Community Celebration works to encourage inclusiveness among all people, while recognizing the dedicated volunteers, community leaders, and supporting sponsors and participants whose commitment to diversity, understanding, and unity provides important examples for all who live, work, and play in our city. This year's event is in partnership with STCU and the theme is "30 Years of Unity."; and

WHEREAS, special events have been organized at Riverfront Park in downtown Spokane to honor this day, including a daylong fair featuring entertainers, food, games, and resources including a senior resource area, school supply & bike helmet giveaway—all representative of the variety of cultures, and ethnic backgrounds that comprise our community:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of the City of Spokane, on behalf of the people of Spokane, do hereby proclaim August 17, 2024 as

## UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY DAY

in Spokane and encourage all residents to celebrate the strength of Spokane's Diversity.

I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of Spokane, do hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Spokane to be affixed this 24th day of July 2024.

Lisa Brown Mayor

