

CITY OF SPOKANE



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, for 140 years, the YMCA of the Inland Northwest has been a cornerstone of community development, social engagement, and youth empowerment, contributing significantly to the well-being of the citizens of Spokane and the surrounding region through programs that promote physical, mental, and emotional well-being for people of all ages, backgrounds, and abilities; and

WHEREAS, since its founding in 1884, the YMCA has been a leading advocate for youth development, offering vital services such as educational programs, leadership development, mentorship, and providing safe spaces for children and teens to learn, grow, and play, while also promoting healthy living through fitness programs, swimming lessons, sports leagues, and wellness initiatives that have inspired thousands to adopt healthier, more active lifestyles; and

WHEREAS, the YMCA's dedication to social responsibility extends beyond financial assistance by offering essential services such as childcare for infants to teens, support programs like Livestrong at the YMCA and Pathways to Wellness, encouraging volunteerism, and fostering a culture of inclusivity, diversity, and equity, ensuring that its doors remain open to all, regardless of income or ability to pay. The YMCA of the Inland Northwest has been a trusted partner and an unwavering pillar of strength in our city, helping to foster the values of caring, honesty, respect, and responsibility throughout the generations:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of the City of Spokane, on behalf of the people of Spokane, do hereby proclaim October 21, 2024 as

YMCA OF THE INLAND NORTHWEST'S 140 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

in Spokane and encourage all residents to celebrate the many contributions of the YMCA of the Inland Northwest.

I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of Spokane,
do hereunto set my hand and
cause the seal of the City of Spokane
to be affixed this
16th day of October 2024.

Lisa Brown

Lisa Brown
Mayor

