CITY OF SPOKANE

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Mayor Brown has proclaimed 2025 as the "Year of the Neighborhood" and marks the 25th anniversary of the Office of Neighborhood Services (ONS) being recognized by the Spokane City Charter. The addition of ONS to the City Charter conveyed a message that neighborhoods are the center of our local communities and should be formally recognized and supported by the City of Spokane; and

WHEREAS, for many decades, neighborhood leaders have spent countless hours investing in people and partnerships to strengthen the community by voicing concerns, advocating for change, and creating opportunities that uniquely benefit and meet the needs of their area. During 2025, the City's Office of Neighborhood Services will be celebrating the history, people, and work of neighborhood leaders, including the important work of the neighborhood councils and the Community Assembly; and

WHEREAS, strong neighborhoods are the heart of a thriving city. Each of Spokane's 29 neighborhoods is its own unique community, filled with people, local businesses, and traditions that make our city special. When we invest in our neighborhoods, we can build a more connected city for everyone while preserving Spokane's unique charm and ensuring that every neighborhood continues to feel like home:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of the City of Spokane, on behalf of the people of Spokane, do hereby proclaim 2025 as the

YEAR OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD

in 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 10th day of April 2025.

Lisa Brown Mayor

