CITY OF SPOKANE

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the global community faces extraordinary challenges, relating to global health issues, food and water shortages, and economic struggles, and all people, regardless of race, gender, income, or geography, have a right to a healthy, sustainable environment with economic growth; and

WHEREAS, the 20 million people who marched on Earth Day in 1970 sparked the modern environmental movement, leading to cleaner air, water, and wildlife protections, and is globally recognized by 192 countries to come together for the 2025 theme Our Power, Our Planet, focusing on renewable energy; and

WHEREAS, renewable energy comes from replenishable sources, like the sun, which do not produce greenhouse gases and therefore do not drive climate change and would end the reliance on fossil fuels; and

WHEREAS, it is understood that the community should be informed and support the environmental, human health, and economic benefits of renewable energy; and

WHEREAS, City of Spokane adjusts operations to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, is updating its Comprehensive Plan to include climate planning for the next 20 years, and several departments are organizing and participating in Earth Day events and activities:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of the City of Spokane, on behalf of the people of Spokane, do hereby proclaim April 22, 2025 as

EARTH DAY

in Spokane and urge all residents, businesses, and institutions to use Earth Day to celebrate the Earth and commit to increasing the use of renewable energy.

I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of Spokane, do hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Spokane to be affixed this 15th day of April 2025.

Lisa Brown Mayor

