

CITY OF SPOKANE



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, on August 15, 1947, India proudly declared its sovereignty, ending over two centuries of British rule and marking the beginning of a new era of self-governance. The people of Spokane join in commemorating the historical significance of India's Independence Day, honoring the unyielding spirit, resilience, and sacrifices of the Indian people in their long journey toward freedom. India's unwavering commitment to democracy, secularism, and social justice continues to inspire communities worldwide; and

WHEREAS, Washington State and the City of Spokane share strong cultural and economic ties with India. In Spokane, Indian Americans have made and continue to make significant contributions to education, healthcare, technology, and entrepreneurship, driving innovation, creating jobs, and strengthening the local economy. They reflect a rich diversity of traditions, languages, and faiths and actively work to build bridges across all communities, enriching Spokane's cultural fabric; and

WHEREAS, with the newly established Consulate General of India in Seattle serving nine states, including Washington, the bond between India and the Pacific Northwest continues to strengthen. The City of Spokane recognizes India Day as a celebration of shared values, including democracy, diversity, inclusion and reinforces commitment to unity and mutual respect among all residents:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of the City of Spokane, on behalf of the people of Spokane, do hereby proclaim August 15, 2025 as

INDIA DAY

in Spokane and encourage all residents to honor and celebrate this occasion.

I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of Spokane,
do hereunto set my hand and
cause the seal of the City of Spokane
to be affixed this
4th day of August 2025.

Lisa Brown

Lisa Brown
Mayor

