## CITY OF SPOKANE

## **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, Black History Month has been officially celebrated in the United States since the 1976 bicentennial with the objective to promote the many cultural, economic, political, and social contributions made by African Americans that helped to build this great nation; and

WHEREAS, the theme for Black History Month 2025 – African Americans and Labor – honors the profound contributions of Black Americans to the workforce; and

WHEREAS, the City of Spokane recognizes and celebrates the important work of the Carl Maxey Center in providing programs and services to Spokane's African American community including the upcoming Black Business Expo which will highlight Black Businesses from all over Spokane:

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

## **BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

in Spokane and encourage all residents to honor the national and local legacy of African Americans and celebrate the profound impact of African Americans to the workforce.

I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of Spokane, do hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Spokane to be affixed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of February 2025.

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Lisa Brown Mayor