

# CITY OF SPOKANE



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, 30 Million Americans are affected by more than 10,000 rare diseases and conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, nationally one out of every ten people is affected by a rare disease, two-thirds of those being children, this equals 520,858 children and 260,365 adults in Washington who are affected according to the 2020 Washington census data; and

**WHEREAS**, the public may be familiar with some rare diseases such as ALS, childhood cancers, and anything with a gene or name in it, most patients and families affected by less widely known rare diseases bear a large share of the burden of finding research, care coordination, and raising public awareness to support the search for treatments and support:

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of the City of Spokane, on behalf of the people of Spokane, do hereby proclaim February 28th, 2025 as

### RARE DISEASE DAY

in Spokane, joining the global movement dedicated to raising awareness and generating change for the people living with a rare disease in our community and around the world.

I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of Spokane,  
do hereunto set my hand and  
cause the seal of the City of Spokane  
to be affixed this  
18th day of February 2025.

*Lisa Brown*

Lisa Brown  
Mayor

