CITY OF SPOKANE

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Spokane is situated upon the ancestral lands of the Spokane Tribe of Indians, a sovereign nation whose history and culture are inextricably linked to this region. For millennia, the Spokane Tribe and other Indigenous peoples have been the original stewards of this land, contributing immeasurably to the rich heritage of this area; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge the historical injustices, cultural erasures, and systemic hardships that Indigenous peoples have endured, and we commit to a future of reconciliation, justice, and collaboration; and

WHEREAS, Indigenous Peoples' Day offers an opportunity to honor the past, celebrate the vibrant and diverse cultures of Indigenous communities, and recognize their ongoing contributions to our city, state, and nation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Spokane recognizes the importance of working in partnership with the Indigenous communities in our region to promote their self-determination, protect their inherent rights, and ensure their voices are heard and respected:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of the City of Spokane, on behalf of the people of Spokane, do hereby proclaim October 13, 2025 as

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY

in Spokane and encourage all residents to join us in honoring and celebrating the history, culture, and contributions of Indigenous peoples by supporting Indigenous led initiatives, businesses, and cultural events and working together to build a more inclusive, equitable, and just community for all.

I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of Spokane, do hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Spokane to be affixed this 13th day of October 2025.

Lisa Brown Mayor

