

CITY OF SPOKANE



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, sports and recreation play an essential role in promoting the physical health, mental well-being, leadership skills, and positive development of children, youth, and adults in our community; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Alliance for Sports & Athletics— currently comprised of Hoopfest, HUB Sports Center, the Inland Northwest YMCA and Spokane Youth Sports Association (SYSA) —works collaboratively to expand inclusive, accessible, and high-quality sports opportunities throughout the Greater Spokane Region; and

WHEREAS, the Alliance envisions a vibrant region where youth and adults thrive through inclusive, accessible sports that build stronger communities, lifelong passions and holistic wellness; and

WHEREAS, the Alliance’s mission is to champion the transformative power of sports—fostering physical health, mental resilience, leadership, and unity—by uniting local sports agencies to advocate, collaborate, and expand sports opportunities; and

WHEREAS, sportsmanship—defined by respect, integrity, fair play, and compassion—is a vital component of positive athletic experience and is essential not only for young athletes, but also for the parents, coaches, officials, and community members who support them; and

WHEREAS, National Sportsmanship Day provides an important opportunity to highlight the value of character, respect, and responsibility in sports, while encouraging communities to work together to create environments where every participant feels supported, included, and empowered to grow; and

WHEREAS, fostering a culture of sportsmanship strengthens community pride, promotes teamwork on and off the field, and helps ensure that athletics remain a source of joy, learning, and unity for all residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of the City of Spokane, on behalf of the people of Spokane, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, March 3, 2026 as

NATIONAL SPORTSMANSHIP DAY

in Spokane and call upon all residents, coaches, athletes, families, schools, and community organizations to join in recognizing the importance of sportsmanship and to support the ongoing efforts of the Regional Alliance for Sports & Athletics to build a healthier, more connected, and more compassionate region through sport.

I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of Spokane,
do hereunto set my hand and
cause the seal of the City of Spokane
to be affixed this
20th day of February 2026.

Lisa Brown

Lisa Brown
Mayor

