

CITY OF SPOKANE



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Transgender Day of Visibility is observed annually on March 31 to celebrate the lives and contributions of transgender and gender-expansive people, and was founded in 2009 by transgender advocate Rachel Crandall to recognize the accomplishments and everyday lives of transgender people; and

WHEREAS, transgender and gender-diverse individuals have long been part of the history and culture of the Inland Northwest, including our Indigenous two-spirit communities native to the land, and figures such as Billy Tipton, a respected jazz musician who lived and performed in Spokane and throughout the Northwest in the 50s-80s; and

WHEREAS, transgender people today are valued members of the Spokane community—including youth, elders, parents, educators, artists, healthcare workers, advocates, and leaders—whose contributions strengthen the cultural, civic, and social life of our city:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lisa Brown, Mayor of the City of Spokane, on behalf of the people of Spokane, do hereby proclaim March 31, 2026 as

TRANSGENDER DAY OF VISIBILITY

in Spokane and encourage all residents to join in recognizing and celebrating the transgender members of our community whose presence, talents, and contributions help make Spokane a stronger and more vibrant city 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
17th day of March 2026.

Lisa Brown

Lisa Brown
Mayor

