

## ~ PROCLAMATION ~

WHEREAS, the City of Camas recognizes the Indigenous Peoples who have lived upon this land since time immemorial, and values the contributions and accomplishments of those Indigenous Peoples and other Indigenous communities that reside in Washington; and

WHEREAS, the City of Camas recognizes that Camas is built upon the homelands and villages of the Indigenous Peoples of this region, without whom the building of the City would not have been possible; and

WHEREAS, Indigenous Peoples contributions and values have shaped the social, political, environmental, and economic fabric of the state and this region, while also enhancing freedom, prosperity, and cultural diversity; and

WHEREAS, the idea of Indigenous Peoples' Day was first proposed in 1977 by a delegation of Native nations to the United Nations – sponsored International Conference on Discrimination against Indigenous populations in the Americas; and

WHEREAS, the City of Camas wishes to recognize Natives with a day to celebrate and honor Indigenous Peoples to better reflect the experiences of Indigenous Peoples and to hold in esteem their roots, history and contributions; and

WHEREAS, Camas joins other cities across the nation in celebrating Indigenous Peoples' Day, honoring the unique heritage of this continent's First People and reaffirming the commitment to respect each group's cultural identity;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Steve Hogan, Mayor of the City of Camas, do hereby proclaim October 9, 2023, as:

### ***“Indigenous Peoples’ Day”***

in the City of Camas and call upon all our residents to recognize and commend its observance.

In witness whereof, I have set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Camas to be affixed this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of October 2023.

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Steve Hogan, Mayor