

RACE UNITY DAY

WHEREAS, the City of Moscow was the first city in Idaho to be designated as “All-Inclusive; and

WHEREAS, the City of Moscow supports the Great Seal of the United States of America which bears the inscription, E Pluribus Unum, which translates from Latin as “Out of many, one”; and

WHEREAS, the City of Moscow recognizes that strength is derived from its residents, and it strives to bring awareness, recognition and celebration of the diversity among us, to safeguard the freedom and values for which our city stands, as well as the unity of our community and residents; and

WHEREAS, the greatest asset of the City of Moscow is its people; and

WHEREAS, the City of Moscow is comprised of multicultural, multiethnic and multiracial citizens; and

WHEREAS, friendship, collegiality, civility, respect, and kindness are commonly shared ideals of the collective citizenry of the City of Moscow; and

WHEREAS, our proud history has been achieved through the contributions of diverse fabric of races, ethnicities and cultures; and we are committed to maintaining mutual respect, social justice, and equality as fundamental aspects of our community beyond a single day of recognition; and we seek to deepen the understanding and expression of our humanity by cultivating more inclusive attitudes, beliefs and behaviors; and

WHEREAS, the City of Moscow is committed to implementing sustainable social and civic support of diversity initiatives and overcoming prejudice, fears, and stereotypes while striving to provide a healthy and welcoming environment for all residents; and

WHEREAS, Race Unity Day was started by the Bahai National Spiritual Assembly in 1957 as an observance to promote racial harmony and understanding; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of Race Unity Day is to recognize that the people of our nation are its greatest asset. Further, the purpose is to recognize that our nation comprises multicultural, multiethnic, multiracial citizens, and to encourage friendship, collegiality, civility, respect and kindness among them.

WHEREAS, Race Unity Day is a time to celebrate the commonly shared ideals of the collective citizenry of our nation by encouraging communities across the United States to reflect on the beauty and richness of the diverse peoples with a spirit of amity toward one another.

WHEREAS, we dedicate this day as RACE UNITY DAY as a symbol of solidarity, recognizing the variety of backgrounds, races, genders, sexual orientations, ages, religions, as well as the

numerous cultural perspectives, innovations, and contributions by ALL represented within our great city, and encourage everyone to honor, recognize, and embrace diversity throughout our workplaces, our schools, our community, and our country,

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mayor Bill Lambert, do hereby proclaim Sunday, June 14, 2020 as

RACE UNITY DAY

in the City of Moscow and encourage all residents and community members to explore, celebrate and embrace those who have contributed to the richness of our City, our community and our nation.



DATED this 25th day of June, 2020

Bill Lambert

Bill Lambert, Mayor