## CITY OF YAKIMA PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Grand Columbia Council of the Boy Scouts of America in central Washington has an outstanding legacy and received national acclaim for youth and family involvement in outdoor recreation, conservation of nature, youth leadership activities and career development we honor the 2020 Grand Columbia Council Boy Scouts of America; and

WHEREAS, the Grand Columbia Council was founded 95 year ago, in 1925, to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by teaching them the values of the Scout Oath and Scout Law, the Council provides boys and girls the nation's foremost youth character and leadership program; and

WHEREAS, the Grand Columbia Council has 1000 boys and girls and 80 leaders who direct scouting programs for youth from Prosser to the Canadian border and from Cle Elum to Ritzville, our community seeks to pay tribute to the work of Scouts, Scout leaders, and volunteers who maintain lives of honesty, discipline, and purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Grand Columbia Council seeks to strengthen current scouting programs and insure scouting opportunities for future generations, the Council members are active advocates in providing information and activities to promote the scouting mission and secure support for programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Grand Columbia Council invites the public to participate in July's River Run Regatta involving a month of scouting activities culminating in a scouting program - live and livestream on our website - in Yakima or Wenatchee on July 29, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the River Run Regatta will bring support to improve Camp Fife, Camp Bonaparte, and Camp Summit Vista and increase training in the cities, waterways, lakes, forests, and mountains, of central Washington and fuel the achievement of expanding dens, troops, units and volunteers; and

WHEREAS, the Grand Columbia Council delivers programs that help generate community leaders who guide and lead their communities for generations to come, enabling these communities to be appreciated and safe havens for all people.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Patricia Byers, Mayor of the City of Yakima and on behalf of the City Council hereby proclaim July 29, 2020 as

## "SCOUT ME IN DAY!"

in the City of Yakima

Dated this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020

Patricia Byers, Mayor