

# Proclamation

## “All-America City Award Days”

June 22-24, 2018

**WHEREAS**, the National Civic League has celebrated those communities that address their most pressing needs in a collaborative and inclusive way with the All-America City Awards for nearly seventy years; and

**WHEREAS**, George Gallup, former Chairman of the National Civic League, characterized the All-America City Award as the “Nobel Prize for Constructive Citizenship” contributing to the award becoming the nation's oldest community recognition effort; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2018 All-America City theme is “Promoting Equity Through Inclusive Civic Engagement”; and

**WHEREAS**, Pasco was selected as one of 20 award finalist communities in the nation that have been recognized for their inclusive engagement processes, projects, and community vision; and

**WHEREAS**, Pasco’s All-America City application presented three projects with a clear community-wide commitment to inclusiveness, equity, impact, innovation, civic engagement and cross-sector collaboration; and

**WHEREAS**, Pasco, for its three projects, chose “Police-Community Relations”, “Better Representation through City Council District-Based Elections”, and “Somos Pasco (We Are Pasco)” to highlight the community’s civic engagement; and

**WHEREAS**, a group of 32 members of the community will travel to Denver, Colorado June 22-24 to help showcase Pasco and present the three community projects as part of its All-America City Award application in hope of being named one of ten All-America Cities for 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pasco All-America City Team illustrates how a prestigious goal can be achieved when community members of different backgrounds come together for a common purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, the selection of Pasco as an All-America City Award Finalist has highlighted the many items of positive change for the Pasco community in recent years.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Matt Watkins, Mayor of the City of Pasco, Washington, do hereby proclaim June 22-24, 2018 as “All-America City Award Days” in the City of Pasco and encourage all community members to root for the Pasco Team and, regardless of the outcome of the All-America City Awards, always be #PascoProud.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Pasco, State of Washington, to be affixed this 18th day of June 2018.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Matt Watkins".

Matt Watkins, Mayor  
City of Pasco