



WHEREAS, the month of April marks the anniversary of the passage of the federal Fair Housing Act of 1968, which prohibits discrimination in housing based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status, and disability; and

WHEREAS, the principle of fair housing is a fundamental human entitlement and is vital to the health, safety, and economic security of all people; and

WHEREAS, illegal barriers to equal housing opportunity, whether through discriminatory practices in the sale or rental of housing, mortgage lending, or advertising, diminish the rights of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rockville is committed to fostering an inclusive community and ensuring that all residents have the right to choose where to live without fear of discrimination; and

WHEREAS, during April, citizens and organizations are encouraged to rededicate themselves to the principles of fair housing and to actively oppose discrimination.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor and Council of the City of Rockville do hereby proclaim **April 2026** as **Fair Housing Month**, and urge all residents to join in this commitment to eliminate housing discrimination, support equal housing opportunity, and recognize that our community is stronger when it is fair, open, and inclusive.




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