



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, April 11, 2020 marks the 52nd anniversary of the passage of the U.S. Fair Housing Law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended, which enunciated a national policy of Fair Housing without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, familial status, or disabilities and encourages fair housing opportunities for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, April is traditionally designated as Fair Housing Month by the President of the United States and by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

WHEREAS, High Plains Fair Housing Center, is engaged in passionately pursuing its mission to eliminate housing discrimination in North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, High Plains Fair Housing Center is committed to continuing to address housing discrimination in our community; and

WHEREAS the City of Bismarck supports a concerted effort toward the elimination of discrimination in housing so that all citizens have the opportunity to live in decent, safe and affordable housing.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Steve Bakken, Mayor of the City of Bismarck, on behalf of this Commission, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2020 as **FAIR HOUSING MONTH** in the City of Bismarck and urge all citizens to understand and exercise their right to equal housing opportunity.

Signed this 24th day of March 2020.

Steve Bakken, Mayor
Board of City Commissioners
City of Bismarck, ND