



PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, the concept that all persons are entitled to equal protection of the law is derived from the 14th Amendment to the US Constitution passed after the Civil War; and
- WHEREAS, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 is known as the Federal Fair Housing Act, which made it clear once and for all that discrimination based on race, color, religion, or national origin is against the law; and
- WHEREAS, in 1974 the US Congress also prohibited discrimination based on sex; and
- WHEREAS, in 1988 the us Congress amended the law to prohibit discrimination against handicapped persons and families with children as well as protection to victims of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS); and
- WHEREAS, the City of Key West through its housing and community development programs administered by the Key West Housing Authority with the support of the Key West Association of Realtors, civil rights groups and community development organizations supports Title VIII and the principles it embodies.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TERI JOHNSTON, MAYOR of the City of Key West, do hereby proclaim the month of April, 2021, as

FAIR HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MONTH

In the "Southernmost City of the Continental United States."

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 16th day of March 2021

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