

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of)
proclaiming April 1991 as) PROCLAMATION 91-30
FAIR HOUSING MONTH)

WHEREAS, April 1991, marks the twenty-third anniversary of Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, the Federal Fair Housing Act, which provided for equal opportunity for all Americans in the sale, rental and financing of housing and prohibited housing discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex or national origin; and

WHEREAS, marital status is also protected under Oregon law, the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 added familial status and handicap to those classes protected by Title VIII for the first time in federal law and added strong new rights, remedies, monetary penalties and judicial and administrative enforcement procedures; and

WHEREAS, numerous studies have shown that housing discrimination is as pervasive, if not more so, than in 1968, and far more insidious than ever before; and

WHEREAS, it is the solemn and sworn duty of government at all levels to protect and defend the rights of all its citizens and oppose housing discrimination whenever and wherever it occurs; and

WHEREAS, illegal barriers to equal opportunity in housing, no matter how subtle, that diminish the rights of some of our citizens diminish the rights of all; and

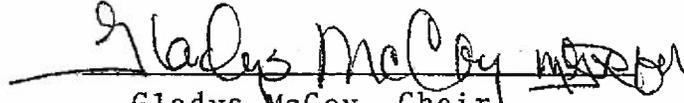
WHEREAS, Multnomah County, Oregon fully supports the intents and purposes of the Federal Fair Housing Act and pursues policies and practices to achieve those ends; and

WHEREAS, the County and its elected leaders exhort all agencies, institutions and individuals, public and private, in the community to do the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the County will declare April 1991 as Fair Housing Month.

Adopted this 28th day of March 1991.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS


Gladys McCoy, Chair

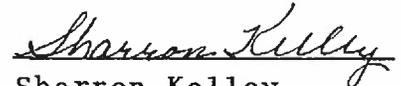


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