

MOTION: JOHNSTON

**March 9, 2023
Regular Meeting
HRC RES 23-03**

SECOND: BALDWIN

RE: RESOLUTION TO DECLARE, AFFIRM AND RECOGNIZE THE MONTH OF APRIL OF 2023 AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH

ACTION: APPROVED

WHEREAS, April 2023 marks the 55th Anniversary of Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, known as the Civil Rights Fair Housing Act; and

WHEREAS, this Act provides equal housing opportunity for all Americans regardless of race, color, religion, sex or national origin, as well as to ensure fair practice in the sale, rental or financing of property;

WHEREAS, the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 added new rights, remedies, monetary penalties, and strengthened its enforcement procedures; and

WHEREAS, the Fair Housing Amendments Act seeks to provide equal housing opportunities, to affirmatively further housing choices, to eliminate legal barriers to equal housing and to emphasize equal housing as a fundamental human right for all; and

WHEREAS, individuals in Prince William County, the 10th most diverse county in the nation. have the right to choose where to live without discrimination based on race, color, religion, age, sex, disability, gender identity, familial status or national origin; and

WHEREAS, The Prince William County Human Rights Commission fully supports the intent and purpose of the Federal Fair Housing Act, local fair housing laws and follows policies and practices in order to achieve its goal:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Prince William County Human Rights Commission, adopts this 2023 Fair Housing Month Resolution and urge all residents to study the history of Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, known as the Civil Rights Fair Housing Act; and reflect on the importance of this piece of legislation for all Americans.

Votes:

Ayes: Porter, BruMar, Young, Pratter, Johnston, Muz, Baldwin, and Ginoba

Nay: None

Abstained: None

Absent from the meeting: Laos

ATTEST:  _____

Executive Director