



In the Name and by the Authority of

THE STATE OF OHIO



WHEREAS, it is Ohio law to provide fair housing opportunities throughout Ohio regardless of race, gender, color, nationality, religion, military or family status, or disability; and

WHEREAS, April 11, 2021 marks 53rd anniversary of the passage of the U.S. Fair Housing Law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended, which enunciates a national policy for Fair Housing; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio is committed to the mission and intent of Congress to provide fair and equal housing opportunities for all; and

WHEREAS, the state of Ohio joins the federal government in educating local governments, community leaders, realty companies and housing associations on fair housing laws and policies to reduce the number of incidents of housing discrimination and Fair Housing law violations; and

WHEREAS, Ohio joins the federal government in encouraging local governments to intensify their efforts to further the purpose of the federal Fair Housing Amendments Act; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Housing Finance Agency, the Ohio Department of Commerce, and the Ohio Development Services Agency continue to utilize federal and state resources to provide Ohioans with a safe, decent, and affordable place to call home.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, **Mike DeWine and Jon Husted, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio**, do hereby recognize April 2021 as

FAIR HOUSING MONTH

On this 1st day of April 2021;

Mike DeWine
Governor



Jon Husted
Lieutenant Governor