

PROCLAMATION

April Is Fair Housing Month

WHEREAS, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, commonly known as the Fair Housing Act, was enacted into law April 11, 1968, recognizing that no American should have the right to purchase or rent shelter of choice abridged because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, national origin, sexual orientation, or gender identity; and

WHEREAS, 2018 marks the 50th anniversary of this monumental civil rights Act of Congress; and

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

WHEREAS, equality is a fundamental policy of this nation, state, and our city; and

WHEREAS, the Muscatine City Council believes that access to fair housing laws have made our community stronger and more vibrant; and

WHEREAS, ongoing education, outreach and monitoring are key to raising awareness of fair housing principals, practices, rights and responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, we are committed to promoting housing choices and fostering inclusive communities free from housing discrimination;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Diana L. Broderson, Mayor of the City of Muscatine, Iowa, do hereby recognize the 50th Anniversary of the Federal Fair Housing Act and proclaim April 2018 as Fair Housing Month in the City of Muscatine.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name to be affixed this 6th day of April 2018.

Diana L. Broderson, Mayor

