

RESOLUTION NO. 9 - 2016

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND SUPPORTING FAIR HOUSING IN THE VILLAGE OF MADISON, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, 2016 marks the 48th Anniversary of the passage of Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act; and

WHEREAS, it is an important goal of the federal, state and local governments to eliminate housing discrimination and assure the rights of every resident to buy, rent, and sell housing, without regard to race, color, sex, religion, familial status, national origin or disability; and

WHEREAS, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act and Presidential Executive Order 12892 describes the obligation to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing ("AFFH"); and

WHEREAS, the AFFH final rule effective August 17, 2015 more clearly established the responsibility of participants using CDBG/HOME funds in great detail to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing at 80 Fed. Reg. 42,272 and codified at 24 CFR Part 5; and

WHEREAS, the Council agrees that it is important to afford those persons the government serves with an enhanced quality of life through the development of opportunities in housing, employment, education and services by the implementation of plans that assure all people are afforded their rights thus fostering open inclusive communities; and

WHEREAS, as an applicant or potential recipient of federal funds the Village agrees that it will take specified actions to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing ("AFFH") and asserts that all policies and practices adopted, or to be adopted, are and shall be in conformance with applicable fair housing law and that prior to May 16, 2016 there are no outstanding civil rights matters pending or asserted against the Village.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF MADISON, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

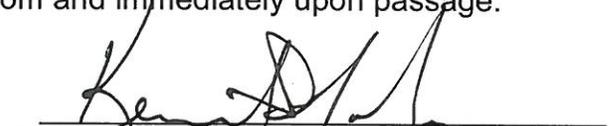
SECTION 1. The Village recognizes the broad duty to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing and commits to its respective role in furtherance of same, inclusive of hereby supporting public awareness initiatives such as designation of the month of April as Fair Housing Month in Lake County, Ohio.

SECTION 2. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including § 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the Village of Madison insofar as its commitment to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing is necessary for qualification for CDBG funding, the application deadline being May 16, 2016, and the failure to timely make application will result in the Village becoming ineligible for necessary grant funding; wherefore, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and immediately upon passage.

PASSED:

5-16-16



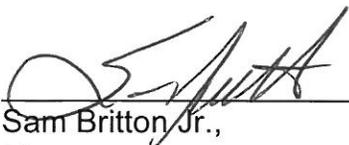
Kenneth D. Takacs,
President of Council

Attested:



Kristie M. Crockett,
Fiscal Officer / Clerk of Council

Approved:



Sam Britton, Jr.,
Mayor

5/16/16

Date