

STATE OF TEXAS OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Equality is the cornerstone upon which a just, civilized society is built. This fundamental right requires us to counteract discrimination and remove unfair barriers in all areas of public life, including housing. In 1968, President Lyndon Baines Johnson, a proud Texan, signed the Fair Housing Act into law, protecting an individual's ability to own or rent property free from discrimination. Building upon this landmark act, Texas further protected this basic right in 1989 by passing the Texas Fair Housing Act, which prohibits discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, family status, or disability.

By promoting access to housing, these acts give all Texans the opportunity to pursue their dreams. In a state populated by people of all races, nationalities, religions, and backgrounds, fair access to housing has enabled all Texans to succeed in the Lone Star State.

Each year, the month of April is set aside to promote equal opportunity in housing. In this way, our great state will continue to advance the cause of liberty and justice for all. I encourage all Texans to support fair housing practices so that we can build a more prosperous future for Texas and everyone who calls it home.

Therefore, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim April 2024 to be

Fair Housing Month



in Texas and urge all Texans to observe the occasion with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto affixed my signature this the 6th day of March, 2024.

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Governor Texas