

DETCOG RESOLUTION

Deep East Texas Council of Governments and Economic Development District

IN CELEBRATION OF APRIL AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH

WHEREAS, the month of April is observed as Fair Housing Month, and April 2021 marks 53 years since the passage of the federal Fair Housing Act (Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968), signed by President Lyndon Baines Johnson on April 11, 1968; and

WHEREAS, the Fair Housing Act provides that no person shall be subjected to discrimination because of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, or familial status in the sale, rental, financing, or advertising of housing and charges the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) with administering HUD programs in a manner that meets the requirements of the law and purposes of the Fair Housing Act; and

WHEREAS, the Deep East Texas Council of Governments (DETCOG) administers HUD housing programs that promote the development and supply of safe, decent, affordable housing for qualifying families; and

WHEREAS, DETCOG strives to support equal housing opportunity in the administration of all of its programs and services, including encouraging equitable lending practices for its homebuyer programs and ensuring compliance with Fair Housing rules and guidelines for its rental assistance programs; and

WHEREAS, DETCOG supports equal housing opportunity and housing choice in accordance with the Fair Housing Act not only during Fair Housing Month in April, but throughout the entire year;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Deep East Texas Council of Governments and Economic Development District recognizes the significance of Fair Housing Month as an important time to acknowledge, better understand, and support equal housing opportunity, and celebrates the month of April as Fair Housing Month in Deep East Texas and encourages all individuals and organizations, public and private, to join and work together in this observance of the impact and importance of affordable housing and equal housing opportunity to the success of all Texans.

The undersigned certify that this Resolution was duly adopted during an official meeting of the Board of Directors of the Deep East Texas Council of Governments and Economic Development District on the 25th day of March, 2021.