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Title: To recognize April 2022 as National Fair Housing Month and to commend the Columbus REALTORS® for their efforts to promote housing equality

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To recognize April 2022 as National Fair Housing Month and to commend the Columbus REALTORS® for their efforts to promote housing equality

WHEREAS, Fair Housing Month commemorates the passage of the Fair Housing Act of 1968; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Fair Housing Act was to put an end to inequities within the housing system and eliminate racial segregation in American neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the law prohibits discrimination in the sale, rental, and financing of housing, and requires Federal, State, and local governments to proactively dismantle the discriminatory structures that hold back people of color and underserved populations from equitable access to the neighborhoods of their choice; and

WHEREAS, today, Columbus, Ohio continues to grapple with the immense wealth gap that promotes social, racial, and economic disparities across neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, founded in 1908, the Columbus REALTORS® is a professional trade association comprised of over 9,400 real estate professionals engaged in residential sales and leasing, consultation, land development and more; and

WHEREAS, Columbus REALTORS® aims to increase awareness of fair housing issues, eliminate intolerance and bias behavior among real estate practitioners and the public, and to grow diverse leadership within the Columbus REALTORS® Association; and

WHEREAS, Columbus REALTORS® contributes to ensuring fair housing through partnering with local coalitions and leadership on initiatives and educational programming; and

WHEREAS, the Columbus REALTORS® is committed to securing equal opportunity for all, as well as providing encouragement to those whose housing needs have yet to be realized; and

WHEREAS, the Columbus REALTORS® will continue to pave the way for all home seekers to be adequately housed and to make our city an even better place in which to live, now therefore:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

That this Council does hereby recognize the month of April, 2022 as Fair Housing Month and recognizes Columbus REALTORS® for their efforts to promote housing equality.