

**CITY OF GRESHAM
MAYORAL PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, our community is committed to equal opportunity and housing choice for all; and

WHEREAS, the theme of Gresham's Fair Housing Month is "Community Includes All of Us"; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gresham and its partners are working together to combat discrimination and other impediments to housing choice; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gresham is working with landlords and tenants to increase choice for low-income renters citywide; and

WHEREAS, under federal Fair Housing laws and Oregon civil rights statutes, it is unlawful to discriminate on the basis of race, color, age, religion, sex disability, familial status, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation, source of income, military status, gender identity, or history as a victim of domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, April 11, 2023 marks the 55th anniversary of the signing of Title VIII of the federal Civil Rights Act (the Federal Fair Housing Act) of 1968, and the 35th anniversary of the Fair Housing Act Amendments of 1988; and

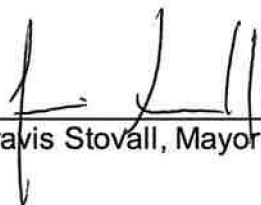
WHEREAS, the Fair Housing Act Amendments banned discrimination against families with children and people with physical or mental disabilities and strengthened enforcement of the law;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Travis Stovall, Mayor of the City of Gresham, Oregon, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2023 to be

Fair Housing Month

in the City of Gresham and encourage all residents to observe this month by joining the effort to promote fair housing for all, because "Fairness Matters".

Dated this 1st day of April 2023.


Travis Stovall, Mayor