

## **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS: April 2023 marks the 55th Anniversary of Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, known

as the Civil Rights Fair Housing Act; and

WHEREAS: this Act provides equal housing opportunity for all Americans regardless of race, color,

religion, sex or national origin, as well as to ensure fair practice in the sale, rental or

financing of property; and

WHEREAS: the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 added new rights, remedies, monetary

penalties, and strengthened its enforcement procedures; and

WHEREAS: the Fair Housing Amendments Act seeks to provide equal housing opportunities, to

affirmatively further housing choices, to eliminate legal barriers to equal housing and to

emphasize equal housing as a fundamental human right for all; and

WHEREAS: individuals in the city have the right to choose where to live without discrimination

based on race, color, religion, age, sex, disability, gender identity, familial status or

national origin; and

WHEREAS: Terre Haute, Indiana fully supports the intent and purpose of the Federal Fair Housing

Act, local fair housing laws and follows policies and practices in order to achieve its goal.

NOW, THEREFORE: I, Duke A Bennett, Mayor of the City of Terre Haute, do hereby proclaim April, 2023 as

## **FAIR HOUSING MONTH**

in Terre Haute, Indiana.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Terre Haute to be affixed this 20<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023.

Duke A Bennett, Mayor

