

## PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS: April 2022 marks the 54<sup>th</sup> 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, 2022 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 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022.

Duke A Bennett, Mayor