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WHEREAS, April 11, 2017 marks the 49th anniversary of the passage of the U.S. Fair Housing Law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, which pronounces a national policy of Fair Housing for all without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, or familial status; mandating fair housing opportunities for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, illegal barriers to equal opportunity in housing, whether subtle or blatant, diminish the rights of all and violate our community's shared and deeply held values of equality and dignity for all; and

WHEREAS, the Pittsburgh Commission on Human Relations enforces the Pittsburgh City Code Chapter 659.03, prohibiting unlawful housing practices and joins with partners to raise awareness of fair housing issues and the discrimination that, despite great strides forward, persists; and

WHEREAS, National Fair Housing Month is a time to join together in the task of eradicating housing discrimination and affirmatively furthering fair housing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh encourages all agencies, institutions, and individuals, public and private, in the City of Pittsburgh to abide by the letter and spirit of the Fair Housing Law in the pursuit of expanding opportunities and improving the quality of life for all; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby proclaim <u>April 2017</u> as "Fair Housing Month" in the City of Pittsburgh.