



Proclamation



WHEREAS, Every year, the Housing Urban Development proclaims the month of April as Fair Housing month to commemorate the anniversary of the passage of the Fair Housing Act in 1968; and,

WHEREAS, the State of South Carolina enacted the South Carolina Fair Housing Law in 1989, which guarantees the right of every person to live where they choose, regardless of their race, color, national origin, sex, religion, familial status, or disability; and,

WHEREAS, the State of South Carolina must certify each year that it will affirmatively further fair housing and local governments, as a condition of receiving CDBG funds, must certify to the State and to HUD that they will take proactive steps to affirmatively further fair housing; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Hartsville desires that all its citizens be afforded the opportunity to attain a decent, safe, and sound living environment; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Hartsville rejects discrimination on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, disability, and/or familial status in the sale, rental, or provision of other housing services; and,

WHEREAS, April is recognized nationally as Fair Housing Month because it presents an ideal time to focus on fair housing issues in our community, examine local practices which may be limiting fair housing choice, and undertake meaningful actions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Carl M. (Mel) Pennington, IV, Mayor of the City of Hartsville, do hereby proclaim the month of April, 2020 as:

“FAIR HOUSING MONTH”

and urge all citizens to recognize and participate in its observance.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause to be affixed the Seal of the City of Hartsville

Carl M. (Mel) Pennington IV, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Sherron L. Skipper, City Clerk