Fair Housing Resolution

LET IT BE KNOWN TO ALL PERSONS OF Muskogee County that discrimination in the sale, rental, leasing, financing of housing or land to be used for construction of housing or in the provision of brokerage services because of race, color, religion, sex or national origin is prohibited by Title VIII of the 1968 Civil Rights Act (Federal Fair Housing Law).

It is the policy of Muskogee County to implement programs to ensure equal opportunity in housing for all persons regardless of race, color, religion, sex or national origin. The Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 expands coverage to include disabled persons and families with children. Therefore, the County does hereby pass the following Resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED that within available resources the County will assist all persons who feel they have been discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability or familial status to seek equity under federal and state laws by filing a complaint with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, Compliance Division.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County shall publicize this Resolution and through this publication County shall encourage owners of real estate, developers, and builders to become aware of their respective responsibilities and rights under the Federal Fair Housing Law and amendments and any applicable state or local laws or ordinances.

SAID PROGRAM will at a minimum include: 1) printing and publicizing of this policy and other applicable fair housing information through local media and community contacts; 2) distribution of posters, flyers, and any other means that will bring to the attention of those affected, the knowledge of their respective responsibilities and rights concerning equal opportunity in housing; and 3) will open a complaint file, to help mitigate any fair housing and/or equal opportunity violations.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This Resolution shall take effect March 22, 2021

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