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Lake County Commissioners Proclaim April "Fair Housing Month"

PAINESVILLE, Ohio, April 20, 2023— April 2023 marks the 55th anniversary of the passage of Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act; commonly referred to as The Fair Housing Act of 1968. At today's Commissioner's meeting, the Board of Lake County Commissioners proclaimed April 2023 "Fair Housing Month" in Lake County, Ohio.

"It has been 55 years since the Fair Housing Act was passed, and FHRC will continue to commit our efforts to ensure true housing choice for all residents," said Fair Housing Resource Center Executive Director, Patricia Kidd, Esq.

The Fair Housing Act prohibits discrimination in housing due to race, color, national origin, religion, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, and familial status. Fair Housing is the opportunity to choose where one lives.

It is essential to allow individuals and families, across a wide spectrum of race, ethnicities and disabilities, to have a choice in the selection of schools, access to job opportunities, and the ability to engage as equal members of their community.



From the left: Commissioner John Plecnik, Lake County Planning and Community Development Director David Radachy, Commissioner Richard J. Regovich, Commissioner Hamercheck.

"We urge all citizens of Lake County to join in this celebration by spreading awareness of the many contributions offered by the CDBG/HOME Programs as a grantee of federal funds. We hope residents use this time to support opportunities for people to become educated in their pursuit of fair housing," said Commission President John R. Hamercheck.

"This month and every month, the Fair Housing Resource Center continuously works to ensure everyone has a free and fair housing choice. We appreciate and are grateful for all the work done by the Fair Housing Resource Center," said Commissioner John Plecnik.

"Fair housing is an important factor of community not only here in Lake County, but all over the country, and I am proud to support Fair Housing Month," said Commissioner Richard J. Regovich.

Visit https://fhrc.org/ for more information about fair housing.