FAIR HOUSING MONTH APRIL 2022

- WHEREAS, the principle of fair housing is not only protected by federal and state law, but a basic need and entitlement of all peoples; and
- **WHEREAS,** this year we celebrate the 54th Anniversary of the enactment of the Federal Fair Housing Act of 1968 (Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act), which states that discrimination in the sale and rental of housing is illegal when based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status, and disability; and
- WHEREAS, the California Fair Employment and Housing Act statutes additionally protect citizens against housing discrimination on the basis of age, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, immigration status, veteran status, source of income, and all other arbitrary forms of discrimination; and
- **WHEREAS**, as a community we understand that the goals of economic progress and competitiveness are best served by affirmatively furthering fair housing though promoting diverse, inclusive communities, with equal access to good jobs, schools, health care, transportation, and housing; and
- **WHEREAS,** the City of Fremont supports fair housing efforts to eliminate discrimination in housing and recognizes the benefits of Project Sentinel to educate home seekers, apartment managers, and apartment owners on federal and state housing laws, and to investigate complaints of illegal housing discrimination in Fremont; and
- **WHEREAS**, in order to heighten public awareness, the City of Fremont wishes to focus public attention on April as Fair Housing Month.
- **NOW, THEREFORE,** the City Council of the City of Fremont, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2022 as "FAIR HOUSING MONTH," and do encourage all residents and community organizations to celebrate the value of harmonious, inclusive, and diverse communities of neighbors and to support the goal of equal housing opportunity for all people.