

TOWN OF DAVIE
TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM/PHONE: Gary Shimun, Town Administrator 954 797 1035

PREPARED BY: Maria Mackie, Administrative Aide

SUBJECT: Proclamation

AFFECTED DISTRICT: Townwide

ITEM REQUEST: **Schedule for Council Meeting**

TITLE OF AGENDA ITEM: FAIR HOUSING MONTH PROCLAMATION

REPORT IN BRIEF: In 1997 the Town of Davie became an “entitlement” recipient of Federal Funds from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. The Town's "Consolidated Plan for Federal Funds", outlines Davie's fair housing programs and initiatives, which include an outreach/education campaign to further fair housing choices for Davie residents.

Reaffirming every person's right to live where they choose with dignity and without fear of discrimination, Davie certified that it will affirmatively further fair housing opportunities and work to identify and remove impediments to fair housing choices; and, uphold Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 and the Fair Housing Act of 1988 which prohibits discrimination in the sale, rental and financing of dwellings based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, handicap or familial status.

Towards this end, each year, the Housing and Community Development Department underakes a mass mail-out to all HOA's, MH Parks, landlords, lending institutions, schools, churchs, etc., providing information on the Fair Housing laws, rights and responsibilities. Also, the Department sponsors a "Fair Housing Poster Contest" to actively engage Davie's youth in learning about housing discrimination.

Each year in April, the Town presents it's Fair Housing Partners i.e., the U. S. Dept of HUD, and the Housing Opportunities for Project Excellence (HOPE) with Proclamations celebrating National Fair Housing Month.

PREVIOUS ACTIONS: Annual Fair Housing Month Celebrations

CONCURRENCES: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: not applicable

Has request been budgeted? n/a

If yes, expected cost: \$

Account Name:

If no, amount needed: \$

What account will funds be appropriated from:

Additional Comments:

RECOMMENDATION(S):

Attachment(s): Proclamations will be presented to HOPE and HUD Officials

Proclamation

WHEREAS, in 1997 the Town of Davie became an "entitlement" recipient of Federal Funds from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Davie certified that it will affirmatively further fair housing opportunities and work to identify and remove impediments to fair housing choices; and

WHEREAS, the Town's Consolidated Plan for Federal Funds, outlines fair housing initiatives which include an outreach and education campaign to further fair housing choices for Davie residents; and

WHEREAS, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 and the Fair Housing Act of 1988 prohibit the discrimination in the sale, rental and financing of dwellings based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, handicap or familial status; and

WHEREAS, the Secretary of HUD proclaimed April 2008, as "National Fair Housing Month" and asks all CDBG Entitlement Communities to join them in celebrating the freedom of housing choices and fair housing opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the Davie Town Council feels that every American has a right to live where they choose with dignity and without fear of discrimination, and is proud of its Fair Housing education and outreach initiatives.

WHEREAS, the Town of Davie wishes to thank both the Fair Housing and Equal Opportunities Division of HUD in Miami and the Housing Opportunities for Project Excellence (HOPE) Inc., for their assistance in helping the Town achieve its Fair Housing goals.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Davie hereby proclaim April 2008 as:

"NATIONAL FAIR HOUSING MONTH"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 16th day of April, 2008.

Tom Truex, Mayor