

RESOLUTION NO. 7, SERIES 2003

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A FAIR HOUSING POLICY FOR THE CITY OF FLORENCE AS REQUIRED BY THE COMMUNITY BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM IN SUPPORT OF GRANT NO. C02030 FOR CONSTRUCTION OF AN EARLY CHILDHOOD INTERVENTION CENTER

WHEREAS, only cities and counties in rural Oregon are eligible to receive CDBG funds through the State of Oregon, and

WHEREAS, the City of Florence has been awarded a \$600,000 Community Development Block Grant for engineering and construction of an Early Childhood Intervention Center, and

WHEREAS, a condition of the grant contract between the Oregon Economic and Community Development Department (grantor) and the City of Florence (grantee) is the adoption of a Fair Housing Policy, and

WHEREAS, discrimination in the sale, rental, lease, advertising of sale, rental or lease, financing of housing or land to be used for construction of housing, or in the provision of brokerage of rental services because of race, color, religion, sex, disability (physical or mental), familial status (children) or national origin is prohibited by Title VIII of the Federal Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988, and

WHEREAS, the CDBG Program has provided approved language to be included in such a resolution,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF FLORENCE, that

1. It is the policy of the City of Florence to support the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 and to implement a Fair Housing Program to ensure equal opportunity in housing for all persons regardless of race, color, religion, sex, disability (physical and mental), familial status (children) or national origin.
2. Within the resources available to the City through city, county, state, federal and community volunteer sources, the City will assist all persons who feel they have been discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex, disability (physical and mental), familial status (children) or national origin in the process of filing a complaint with the Oregon Civil Rights Division or the US Department of Housing and Urban Development, Seattle Regional Office Compliance Division, that they may seek equity under federal and state laws.

3. The City shall publicize this Resolution and, through this publicity, shall cause real estate brokers and sellers, private home sellers, rental owners, rental property managers, real estate and rental advertisers, lenders, builders, developers, home buyers and home and apartment renters to become aware of their respective responsibilities and rights under the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 and any applicable state or local laws or ordinances.
4. The City's publicity, for the purpose of informing those affected of their respective responsibilities and rights concerning Fair Housing law and complaint procedures, will at a minimum include, but not be limited to:
 - a. the printing, publicizing and distribution of this Resolution
 - b. the distribution of posters, flyers, pamphlets and other Fair Housing information provided by local, state and federal sources, through local media or community contacts
 - c. the publicizing of locations where assistance will be provided to those seeking to file a discrimination complaint

APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE, this 7th day of April, 2003.



Alan Burns, Mayor

ATTEST:



Barbara Miller, City Recorder