

- WHEREAS, April 11, 2021 marks the 53rd anniversary of the passage of the Fair Housing Act, which enunciates a national policy of fair housing for all who live in the United States; and,
- WHEREAS, the Fair Housing Act prohibits discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status and national origin; and,
- WHEREAS, fair housing is a positive community good; and,
- WHEREAS, economic stability, community health, and human relations in all communities are improved by diversity and integration; and,
- WHEREAS, Fair Housing is integral to the ethical commitment of members of the National Association of REALTORS® and the Gaston Association of REALTORS® and is critical to the ability of all real estate professionals to serve their clients, customers and communities; and,
- WHEREAS, acts of housing discrimination and barriers to equal housing opportunity are repugnant to a common sense of decency and fairness.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims the month of April, 2021 as

## FAIR HOUSING MONTH

in Gaston County, NC to establish Gaston County as an inclusive community committed to fair housing and to promote appropriate activities by private and public entities intended to provide or advocate for equal housing opportunities for all residents and prospective residents of Gaston County.

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