



City of Santa Barbara

PROCLAMATION

Fair Housing Month April 2007

WHEREAS, April 2007 marks the 43th anniversary of California's fair housing law, the 39th anniversary of the federal civil rights law providing equal housing opportunities for all citizens, and the 23th anniversary of the City of Santa Barbara's Housing Discrimination Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Barbara's Housing Discrimination Ordinance was enacted to ensure that a fair choice of rental housing was available to all individuals regardless of race, color, religion, sex, age, marital status, national origin, familial status, mental or physical disability, sexual orientation, or ancestry; and

WHEREAS, despite the local, state, and federal laws on the books, discrimination in housing continues, as indicated by the complaints of housing discrimination processed each year by the City of Santa Barbara's Housing Discrimination Program, the State Department of Fair Employment and Housing, and the U.S. Department of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARTY BLUM, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Santa Barbara, do hereby proclaim April 2007 as FAIR HOUSING MONTH and support interested parties from both the private and public sectors who will participate in a national effort to promote fair housing.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Santa Barbara, California, to be affixed this 10th day of April, 2007.


MARTY BLUM, MAYOR

