

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Joseph Maturo, Jr. Mayor

## FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION TOWN OF EAST HAVEN

Whereas,

All persons are afforded a right to full and equal housing opportunities in the

neighborhood of their choice; and

Whereas.

Federal fair housing laws require that all individuals, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, be given equal access to all housing-related opportunities, including rental and homeownership opportunities, and be allowed to make free choices regarding housing location; and

Whereas.

Connecticut fair housing laws require that all individuals, regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, marital status, age, lawful source of income, familial status, learning disability, physical or mental disability, sexual orientation, be given equal access to all housing-related opportunities, including rental and home ownership opportunities, and be allowed to make free choices regarding housing location; and

Whereas,

The Town of East Haven is committed to upholding these laws, and realizes that these laws must be supplemented by an Affirmative Statement publicly endorsing the right of all people to full and equal housing opportunities in the neighborhood of their choice.

## NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED.

That the Town of East Haven hereby endorses a Fair Housing Policy to ensure equal opportunity for all persons to rent, purchase, obtain financing and enjoy all other housing-related services of their choice on a non-discriminatory basis as provided by state and federal law; and

## BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED.

That the chief executive officer of the Town of East Haven or his/her designated representative is responsible for responding to and assisting any person who alleges to be the victim of an illegal discriminatory housing practice in the Town of East Haven and for advising such person of the right to file a complaint with the State of Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities (CHRO) or the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) or to seek assistance from the CT Fair Housing Center, legal services, or other fair housing organizations to protect his or her right to equal housing opportunities.

Adopted by the Town of East Haven on

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## Town of East Haven Fair Housing Policy Statement

It is the policy of the Town of East Haven to promote fair housing opportunities and to encourage racial and economic integration in all its programs and housing development activities.

Programs funded and administered by this Town of East Haven must comply with the provisions of Section 46a-64c of the C.G.S., and with related state and federal laws and regulations that prohibit discriminatory housing practices.

The Town of East Haven or any of sub-recipient of the Town of East Haven will carry out an affirmative marketing program to attract prospective buyers or tenants of all majority or minority groups, without consideration of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, creed, sexual orientation, marital status, lawful source of income, disability, age or because the individual has children in all programs and housing development activities funded or administered by the Town of East Haven.

The municipality's Housing Authority is responsible for enforcement and implementation of this policy. The Director of the East Haven Housing Authority, Sal Brancati may be reached at (203) 468-3205.

Complaints pertaining to discrimination in any program funded or administered by this Town of East Haven may be filed with the East Haven Housing Authority. The municipality's Grievance Procedure will be utilized in these cases.

Complaints also may be filed with the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunity, Special Enforcement Unit, 21 Grand Street, Hartford, CT 06106, Telephone (860) 541-3403.

A copy of this policy statement will be given annual to all Town of East Haven employees and they are expected to fully comply with it. In addition, a copy will be posted throughout the Town of East Haven.

3/23/2015 Date

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