

**FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION
ROWAN COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**

WHEREAS, Rowan County seeks to protect the health, safety and welfare of its residents; and,

WHEREAS, citizens seek safe, sanitary, and habitable dwellings in all areas of the County; and

WHEREAS, Rowan County finds the denial of equal housing opportunities because of religion, race, color, sex, familial or handicap status, or national origin legally wrong and socially unjust; and

WHEREAS, the denial of equal housing opportunities in housing accommodations is detrimental to public welfare and public order; and

WHEREAS, Rowan County finds the practice of discrimination against a citizen in housing a denial of his equal rights and his equal opportunity to seek a better living and develop community pride;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Rowan County Board of Commissioners of Rowan County, North Carolina, that

- Section 1. Rowan County has declared it an official policy of Rowan County that there shall not be discrimination in the terms or conditions for buying or renting housing in Rowan County.
- Section 2. All business groups and individual citizens of the County are urged to respect and implement this policy.
- Section 3. The Planning Director, or his designate, of Rowan County is the official authorized by the County to (1) receive and document complaints regarding housing discrimination in the County; and (2) refer such complaints to the North Carolina Human Relations Board of Commissioners for investigation, conciliation and resolution.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2023.

Chairman, Rowan County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST: _____

Clerk to the Board