

RESOLUTION NO. 2823

A RESOLUTION ASSURING FAIR HOUSING.

WHEREAS, it is the City of Madison's firm belief that discrimination in housing not only threatens the rights and privileges of the citizens of the City of Madison but also menaces the institutions and foundations of free and democratic society; and

WHEREAS, this body desires to give meaning to the guarantees of equal rights contained in the Constitution and laws of this State and the United States and to encourage and bring about mutual self-respect and understanding among all citizens and groups in the City; and,

WHEREAS, under the Federal Fair Housing, (Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968), it is illegal to deny housing to any person because of race, color, religion, sex or national origin; and,

THEREFORE, Be it Resolved the City of Madison, South Dakota, makes a firm commitment to do all within its power to eliminate prejudice, intolerance, disorder and discrimination in housing.

THEREFORE, Be it also Resolved that the Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity logo will be displayed at City Hall and on all official correspondence.

THEREFORE, Be it also Resolved that the following procedures will be used to accomplish the purpose of the aforementioned resolution:

1. The City Commission shall inform all City employees of the City's commitment to equal housing.
2. The City Commission shall direct all employees to forward immediately to the Mayor any reports they receive of housing discrimination.
3. The Mayor shall forward such complaints to the South Dakota Division of Human Rights within 10 days of receipt to said complaint.

Passed and adopted this 5th day of November, 2012.

CITY OF MADISON

/s/Gene Hexom
Mayor

ATTEST: /s/Jeff Heinemeyer
City Finance Officer