

RESOLUTION NO. 14-16

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE RESPONSIBILITY OF  
THE CITY OF PAINESVILLE TO AFFIRMATIVELY  
FURTHER FAIR HOUSING, AND DECLARING AN  
EMERGENCY**

**WHEREAS**, 2016 marks the 48th Anniversary of the passage of Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act;

**WHEREAS**, it is an important goal of the federal government to eliminate housing discrimination and assure the rights of every citizen to buy, rent, and sell housing, without regard to race, color, sex, religion, familial status, national origin or disability; and

**WHEREAS**, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act and Presidential Executive Order 12892 initially describes the obligation to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing (AFFH); and

**WHEREAS**, the AFFH final rule effective August 17, 2015 more clearly established the responsibility of participants using CDBG/HOME funds in great detail to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing at 80 Fed. Reg. 42,272 and codified at 24 CFR Part 5.

**WHEREAS**, it is a goal of City of Painesville to accord residents with an enhanced quality of life through the development of opportunities in housing, employment, education and services by the implementation of plans that assure all people are afforded their rights thus fostering open inclusive communities; and

**WHEREAS**, as an recipient of federal funds the City of Painesville agrees that it will take specified actions to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing (AFFH) and confidently asserts that that all policies and practices adopted and in place are in conformance with applicable fair housing law and that prior to May 18, 2015 any outstanding civil rights matters are resolved per HUD Docket No. FR-5800-N-01 Section III-C.2b ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION-Threshold Requirements attached; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Painesville, Lake County, Ohio;

**Section I:** That the City Council recognizes the broad duty to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing and directs the City Manager to ensure that the policies and practices adopted and in place are in compliant with applicable fair housing laws.

**SECTION II:** That this Resolution is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate protection and preservation of the public peace, health, safety and general welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Painesville, and for the further need to submit this Resolution prior to review of the FY'16/17 Community Development Block Grant Application.

**PASSED: June 6, 2016**



Paul W. Hach, II  
President of Council

**ATTEST:**



Tara Grimm, CMC  
Clerk of Council