



# County Commissioners of Charles County

## PROCLAMATION 2023-21 Fair Housing Month

**WHEREAS**, Charles County is proud to join the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development in celebrating the fifty-fourth anniversary of the Fair Housing Act of 1968; and

**WHEREAS**, the 1968 Fair Housing Act guarantees the right of all Americans to dwell in the neighborhood of their choice, is one of the most important components of our national civil rights policy; and

**WHEREAS**, even though this non-discriminatory policy is the law of the land, its proper enforcement requires the continued cooperation of all levels of government, the real estate and home building industries and private citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout Maryland, this spirit of cooperation is being provided through the efforts of our state, federal and local government and with the support of countless community and nonprofit organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, promoting equal housing opportunity is essential to our larger mission of promoting justice in all areas of life and for all citizens, and equal housing opportunity has a dramatic impact on school integration and the acceptance and understanding of ethnic and racial diversity.

**NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND**, do hereby proclaim April 2023, as **Fair Housing Month** in Charles County and do urge all citizens to join in creating and promoting fair housing opportunities for all people.

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