

TOWN OF BROOKLYN
FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION

- 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, and 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 opportunities, including rental and home ownership opportunities, and be allowed to make free choices regarding housing location; and
- Whereas, The Town of Brooklyn is committed to upholding these laws, and realizes that these laws must be supplemented by an Affirmative Action 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 Brooklyn hereby endorses a Fair Housing Policy to ensure equal opportunity for all persons to rent, purchase and obtain financing for adequate housing of their choice on a non-discriminatory basis: and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the First Selectman of the Town of Brooklyn 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 practices in the Town of Brooklyn.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

That the chief executive officer of the Town of Brooklyn 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 Brooklyn 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 BROOKLYN** on April 8, 2021

Richard Ives, First Selectman

Katherine Bisson, CCTC

TOWN SEAL