Proclamation

Thereas, April 11, 2018 marks the 50th anniversary of the passage of the Fair Housing Act, which enunciates a national policy intended to protect the buyer or renter of a dwelling from seller or landlord discrimination; and

Whereas, the Fair Housing Act was enacted as Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968; and

Thereas, the Fair Housing Act prohibits discrimination based on age, race, color, religion, gender, disability, familial status (the presence or anticipated presence of children under the age of 18) and national origin; and

##hereas, the legislation was the culmination of a civil rights campaign against housing discrimination in the United States and was approved by President Lyndon B. Johnson one week after the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr.; and

Hereas, Fair Housing is integral to the ethical commitment of members of the National Association of REALTORS®, and the Bay East Association of REALTORS® and is critical to the ability of all real estate professionals to serve their clients, customers and communities; and

Thereas, Individuals who believe they have experienced housing discrimination can file a complaint with FHEO (Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity) at no charge.

Row, therefore be it resolved, that I, Trish Herrera Spencer, Mayor of the City of Alameda, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2018 as

Fair Housing Month

and encourage all Alameda agencies, institutions and individuals, public and private, to honor and abide by the Fair Housing Act.

Trish Herrera Spencer

Mayor