



TOWN OF LEDYARD

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Ledyard, CT 06339-1511

Legislation Text

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RESOLUITON

Motion/Request:

MOTION to adopt a “Fair Housing Resolution - Town of Ledyard” as contained in the draft dated April 15, 2024.

Background:

April is Fair Housing Month and each municipality that is a current or former recipient of Small Cities CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) funding is required to re-adopt a “*Fair Housing Resolution*”.

The Department of Housing (DOH) requires communities actively provide its commitment to take specific actions related to Fair Housing within the municipality.

Department Comment/Recommendation:

For the Town to be eligible to apply for and receive certain Grant Funds to support fair housing that the town was required to annually adopt a "*Fair Housing Resolution*" to be in compliance with state regulations. He stated the draft Resolution was the same as previous years.

Mayor Comment/Recommendation:

This is one of the “housekeeping” type of items we approve annually. I support this motion.

Body:

DRAFT: 4/15/2024

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FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION
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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, veteran status, or national origin, be given equal access to all housing-related opportunities, including rental and homeownership opportunities, and be 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, veteran status, learning disability, physical or mental disability, sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression be given equal access to all housing-related opportunities, including rental and home ownership opportunities, and be allowed to make free choices regarding housing location; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Ledyard is committed to upholding these laws, and realizes that these laws must be supplemented by an Affirmative 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 Ledyard hereby endorses a Fair Housing Policy to ensure equal opportunity for all persons to rent, purchase, obtain financing and enjoy all other housing-related services of their choice on a non-discriminatory basis as provided by state and federal law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the chief executive officer of the Town of Ledyard 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 Ledyard 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 Ledyard Town Council on _____

S. Naomi Rodriguez, Chairman

I Patricia A. Riley, Town Clerk of the Town of Ledyard, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted at a meeting of the Town Council held on April 24, 2024, and that such resolution has not been modified, rescinded, or revoked, and is at present in full force and effect:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF: The undersigned has affixed his signature and corporate seal on this _____ day of _____ 2024.

(Town Seal)

Patricia A. Riley, Town Clerk