

WHEREAS, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, prohibits discrimination in housing and declares it a national policy to provide fair housing in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the principle of Fair Housing is not only national law and national policy, but a fundamental human concept and entitlement for all Americans; and

WHEREAS, National Fair Housing Month provides an opportunity for all Americans to recognize that success in the goal of equal housing opportunity can only be accomplished with the help of all Americans; and

WHEREAS, in addition, the month of April has been designated as National Community Development Month to recognize and celebrate the impact of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Programs in providing equal housing opportunities in our communities; and

WHEREAS, over the past five years, our community has received a total of \$15.8 million in CDBG funds and \$5.4 million in HOME funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to improve housing, infrastructure, and services to low- and moderate-income Arlington residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, W. Jeff Williams, Mayor of the City of Arlington, Texas, and on behalf of the Arlington City Council, call upon the citizens of Arlington to celebrate equal housing opportunities provided by the city's programs and services and the National Fair Housing Law and do hereby proclaim April as

## NATIONAL FAIR HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MONTH

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City to be affixed this 13<sup>th</sup> day of April in the year of Our Lord two thousand and twenty-one.

MAYOR

