

STATE OF OREGON
PROCLAMATION
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

- WHEREAS:** April 2008 marks the 40th anniversary of the passage of Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, also known as the Federal Fair Housing Act; and
- WHEREAS:** President Lyndon Johnson signed the Federal Fair Housing Act on April 1968, making it illegal to deny housing based on race, color, religion, and national origin; and
- WHEREAS:** Amendments were made to the Fair Housing Act in 1974 to extend the Act to cover discrimination based on sex, and in 1988 to add disability and family status; and
- WHEREAS:** With signing of Senate Bill 725 and House Bill 3639, Oregon's fair housing laws have become substantially equivalent to federal requirements; and
- WHEREAS:** The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the State of Oregon have entered into a cooperative agreement in recognition of the federal funding and State partnership through the Fair Housing Assistance Program; and
- WHEREAS:** The laws of this nation and our state seek to ensure such equality of choice for all in transactions involving housing; and
- WHEREAS:** Only with the cooperation, commitment, and support for all the residents of the state can barriers to the enjoyment of this and the other aspects of equality of opportunity for all be removed.

NOW,
THEREFORE: I, Theodore R. Kulongoski, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **April 2008** to be

FAIR HOUSING MONTH

in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Salem in the State of Oregon on this day, March 26, 2008.



Theodore R. Kulongoski
Theodore R. Kulongoski, Governor

Bill Bradbury
Bill Bradbury, Secretary of State