

PROCLAMATION

“Fair Housing Month”

April 2014

WHEREAS, April 2014 marks the 46th anniversary of the Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, the Federal Fair Housing Act, which provides equal opportunity for all Americans in the sale, rental, and financing of housing and prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin; and

WHEREAS, the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 added familial status and handicap to those classes protected by Title VIII and added strong new rights, remedies, monetary penalties, and judicial and administrative enforcement procedures; and

WHEREAS, Nevada state law also prohibits discrimination on the basis of ancestry, sexual orientation, and gender identity, or expression; and

WHEREAS, it is the solemn and sworn duty of government at all levels to defend the rights of all citizens and oppose housing discrimination whenever and wherever it occurs; and

WHEREAS, illegal barriers to equal opportunity in housing, no matter how subtle, that diminish the rights of some of our citizens, diminish the rules of all; and

WHEREAS, Silver State Fair Housing Council actively works to ensure equal housing opportunity for all people in Nevada to freely choose where they want and can afford to live; and

WHEREAS, Carson City supports the efforts of the Silver State Fair Housing Council and all other agencies pursuing fair housing

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert L. Crowell, Mayor of Carson City, Nevada, do proclaim April 2014 as “**Fair Housing Month**” and call upon the people of Carson City to join their fellow citizens across the United States in recognizing and participating in this special observance.



Dated this 3rd Day of April 2014.

Robert L. Crowell, Mayor