

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

Meeting Date: Wed., April 18, 2007

Division: BOCC

Bulk Item: Yes No

Department: Mayor Di Gennaro, District 4

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AGENDA ITEM WORDING: Proclamation declaring the month of April as Fair Housing Month in Monroe County.

ITEM BACKGROUND: In recognition of the anniversary of enactment of the National Fair Housing Act, the federal government designates April as Fair Housing Month. This is the 39th anniversary of the housing act.

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOCC ACTION:

CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGES:

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

TOTAL COST: _____

BUDGETED: Yes No

COST TO COUNTY: _____

SOURCE OF FUNDS: _____

REVENUE PRODUCING: Yes No **AMOUNT PER MONTH** _____ **Year** _____

APPROVED BY: County Atty OMB/Purchasing Risk Management

DOCUMENTATION: Included Not Required

DISPOSITION: _____

AGENDA ITEM # _____



Mayor's Proclamation

FAIR HOUSING MONTH

WHEREAS, although Equal Housing Opportunity is a right guaranteed to all Americans under Title VIII of the 1968 Civil Rights Law, the struggle against discrimination in housing continues; and

WHEREAS, each year since the enactment of the National Fair Housing Act, the federal government designates April, the anniversary month of that law, as Fair Housing Month; and

WHEREAS, on this, the 39th anniversary, Monroe County, Florida, is pleased to join in that designation, since it provides an opportunity for all Americans to rededicate themselves to the principles of freedom of housing choice and to reacquaint themselves with the rights and responsibilities that are theirs under the law; and

WHEREAS, since fair housing is consistent with the principle of equality and justice for all – principles upon which our nation was founded – we all need to share in the fight to ensure fair housing is a reality for all residents; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of Monroe County provides fair housing education and outreach services for the County of Monroe,

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mario Di Gennaro, Mayor of Monroe County, on behalf of the County Board of Commissioners, do proclaim the month of April, 2007 as

FAIR HOUSING MONTH

In Monroe County, and urge all citizens to join the efforts to reaffirm fair housing opportunities for all people.

Dated this 18th Day of April, 2007

Mario Di Gennaro

Mario Di Gennaro, Mayor
Monroe County