

## **BOISE COUNTY**

## **RESOLUTION #2008-17**

## A BOISE COUNTY RESOLUTION TO DECLARE APRIL FAIR HOUSING MONTH

WHEREAS, the year 2008 marks the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the passage of Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, commonly known as the Federal Fair Housing Act; and

WHEREAS, the Idaho Human Rights Commission Act has prohibited discrimination in housing since 1969; and

WHEREAS, equal opportunity for all – regardless of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status or national origin – is a fundamental goal of our nation, state and Boise County; and

**WHEREAS**, equal access to housing is an important component of this goal - as fundamental as the right to equal education and employment; and

WHEREAS, housing is a critical component of family and community health and stability; and

**WHEREAS**, housing choice impacts our children's access to education, our ability to seek and retain employment options, the cultural benefits we enjoy, the extent of our exposure to crime and drugs, and the quality of health care we receive in emergencies; and

**WHEREAS**, the laws of this nation and our state seek to ensure such equality of choice for all transactions involving housing; and

**WHEREAS**, ongoing education, outreach and monitoring are key to raising awareness of fair housing principals, practices, rights and responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, only through continued cooperation, commitment and support of all Idahoans can barriers to fair housing be removed; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Boise County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim the importance of FAIR HOUSING in Boise County, State of Idaho, and further declares April to be Fair Housing month.

APPROVED and ADOPTED in Open Session on April 14, 2008.

BOISE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

FRED H. LAWSON, Chairman

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TERRY C. DAY, Commissioner

Attest:

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