

CITY OF NANTICOKE RESOLUTION No. 4 of 2020



FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION

LET IT BE KNOWN TO ALL PERSONS of the City of Nanticoke, Luzerne County that discrimination in the sale, rental, leasing, financing of housing or land to be used for construction of housing, or in the provision of brokerage services because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, handicapped or familial status, (families with children) is prohibited by the Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, Federal Fair Housing Act and the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act adds the additional protected classes of age and ancestry. It is the policy of the City of Nanticoke, Luzerne County, to implement programs to ensure equal opportunity in housing for all persons regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, handicapped or familial status. Therefore, the City of Nanticoke does hereby pass the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that within available resources, the City of Nanticoke/Luzerne County will assist all persons who feel they have been discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, handicap (disability) or familial status to seek equity under federal and state laws by filing a complaint with the Fair Housing Officer, the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission and the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, whichever is chosen by the person filing complaint.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Nanticoke/Luzerne County shall publicize this Resolution and through this publicity shall cause owners of real estate, developers and builders, to become aware of their respective responsibilities and rights under the Federal Fair Housing Act, the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act and any local laws or ordinances.

FURTHER ACTION will at a minimum, include, but not be limited to: (1) Publicizing the name and contact information of the local Fair Housing Officer, which will include the process to file a complaint if a person feels they have been discriminated against in housing in any manner and other applicable fair housing information through local media and community contracts and
(2) Conduct at least one fair housing activity annually to better inform the public of their fair rights under the Fair Housing Law and Pennsylvania Human Relations Act; and
(3) Use the fair housing on all materials dealing with housing programs such as but not limited to:
a. Public advertisements for vacancy or discussing the program
b. Applications for assistance
c. Contracts
d. Municipal letters dealing with the federal program

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This Resolution shall take effect February 5, 2020

Jennifer W. Polito, City Clerk

William Brown, Council President