



# The City of Morgantown

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## ***PROCLAMATION***

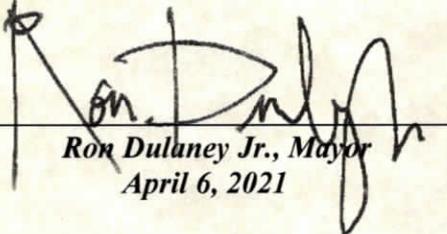
- Whereas,*** under the Federal Fair Housing Law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 no American should have the right to purchase or rent shelter of choice abridged because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, national origin, sexual orientation, or gender identity; and
- Whereas,*** under the West Virginia State Fair Housing Law, Title 49-2-305, MCA, it is illegal to deny housing to any person because of race, sex, religion, color, age, physical or mental disability or national origin; and
- Whereas,*** it is the fundamental policy of this nation, our state, and our City to advance, safeguard, and defend the principles and guarantees of equality of opportunity for all; and
- Whereas,*** the places where people live have a direct impact on the quality of their health, education, and access to economic opportunities; and
- Whereas,*** discriminatory housing practices create racial and economic segregation in communities that can lead to disparate outcomes in overall quality of life; and
- Whereas,*** the City of Morgantown believes that understanding of and access to fair housing laws have made our community and our neighborhoods stronger and more vibrant; and
- Whereas,*** we are committed to programs what will help educate the public about the right to fair housing practices in the City of Morgantown; and
- Whereas,*** we are committed to promoting housing choices and fostering inclusive communities free from housing discrimination

***Now therefore,*** I, Ron Dulaney, Jr., Mayor of the City of Morgantown, West Virginia, and behalf of City Council, want to thank the many people and organizations in our community who have opened the doors of housing opportunity to all citizens and proclaim the month of April 2021 to be

## Fair Housing Month

***Seal:***



  
Ron Dulaney Jr., Mayor  
April 6, 2021