

WHEREAS, affordable housing is good for businesses, people, and the quality of life in the City of Santa Rosa; and

WHEREAS, our community thrives when all families have a place to call home; and

WHEREAS, affordable housing is an essential element of our equitable COVID-19 and fire recovery processes; affordable housing plays a key factor in attracting and retaining a quality workforce pool; provides a foundation for people who need a hand-up to improve their lives and benefits the entire community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Rosa and Housing Authority of the City of Santa Rosa have made affordable housing an important goal to be achieved by providing annual funding for the development of new units and are decreasing barriers to the construction and rehabilitation process; and

WHEREAS, an adequate supply of single and multifamily rental housing, and homeownership units is necessary throughout the City in order to meet the needs of all economic segments of the City's population, as well as all demographic segments of the City of Santa Rosa's residents; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Rosa is committed to safe, stable, and affordable housing for all its residents; and

WHEREAS, united to raise public awareness, participating with organizations throughout Santa Rosa in local Affordable Housing Month to elevate the critical need to preserve and increase affordable housing in our communities; and

WHEREAS, these organizations are encouraged to partner with local agencies and community members to recognize Affordable Housing Month, which supports the sharing of best practices, opportunities, and solutions to provide affordable housing that is the right of all individuals; and

WHEREAS, the City Council supports the efforts of the Housing Authority in developing and sustaining affordable housing the valuable services provided to the residents of Santa Rosa.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, I, Chris Rogers, Mayor of the City of Santa Rosa, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim May as

AFFORDABLE HOUSING MONTH

Mayor Chris Rogers April 27, 2021