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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
152nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 103

RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF APRIL 2024 AS THE ANNUAL “NATIONAL FAIR HOUSING MONTH” IN THE
STATE OF DELAWARE.

1 WHEREAS, April 2024 marks the 56th Anniversary of the enactment of the landmark Civil Rights Act of 1968,
2 which included among its provisions the federal Fair Housing law, and the 55th Anniversary of Delaware’s Fair Housing
3 Act; and

4 WHEREAS, it was the purpose of the Fair Housing Act to eliminate, as to housing offered to the public for sale or
5 rent, discrimination based upon race, color, religion, or national origin; and

6 WHEREAS, today protections against discrimination in housing are provided in the Delaware Fair Housing Act,
7 Title 6, Chapter 46 of the Delaware Code; and

8 WHEREAS, the Delaware Fair Housing Act has been amended from time to time since its enactment, and now
9 additionally prohibits discrimination based on creed, sex, marital status, familial status, source of income, age, sexual
10 orientation, or disability; and

11 WHEREAS, legislation to amend the Delaware Fair Housing Act to prevent discrimination based on use of
12 government rental assistance is pending; and

13 WHEREAS, discrimination in the sale or rent of housing is just one example of barriers some households face
14 when trying to maintain stable housing in Delaware; and

15 WHEREAS, according to the National Low Income Housing Coalition, Delaware is the 19th highest housing wage
16 in the nation; and

17 WHEREAS, approximately 77% of extremely low-income Delaware renter households are severely cost burdened
18 with housing costs consuming 50% or more of a household’s gross income; and

19 WHEREAS, the National Low Income Housing Coalition just released that Delaware has a shortage of 21,197
20 rental units that are affordable and available for extremely low-income renters; and

21 WHEREAS, more than 1,300 people sleep in homeless or temporary shelters each night in Delaware; and

22 WHEREAS, as we recognize the annual National Fair Housing Month, there exists a continued need to address
23 affordable housing, homelessness, and fair and equitable housing practices in the State of Delaware.

24 NOW, THEREFORE:

25 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 152nd General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the
26 Senate concurring therein, that the State of Delaware recognizes April 2024 as National Fair Housing Month in the State of
27 Delaware.

SYNOPSIS

This House Concurrent Resolution recognizes the month of April 2024 as “National Fair Housing Month” in the State of Delaware.