At a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newburgh, held at the Town Hall 1496 Route 300, in the Town of Newburgh, Orange County, New York on the 23rd day of May, 2022 at 7:00 o'clock p.m.

PRESENT:

Gilbert J. Piaquadio, Supervisor

Elizabeth Greene, Councilwoman

Paul Ruggiero, Councilman

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF TITLE VIII OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1968 (FEDERAL FAIR HOUSING LAW) AND THE NEW YORK STATE HUMAN RIGHTS LAW

Councilman Ruggiero presented the following resolution which was seconded by Councilwoman Greene.

WHEREAS, the Town of Newburgh supports Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Federal Fair Housing Law) and the New York State Human Rights Law. It is the policy of the Town of Newburgh to implement programs to ensure equal opportunity in housing for all persons regardless of race, color, religion, ancestry, sex (including pregnancy), national origin, nationality, familial status, marital or domestic partnership status, affectional or sexual orientation, atypical hereditary cellular or blood trait, genetic information, liability for military service, mental or physical disability, perceived disability, AIDS/HIV status and Lawful Income or Source of Lawful Rent Payment (Section 8). The Town of Newburgh further objects to 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, ancestry, sex, national origin, handicap or disability as prohibited by Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Federal Fair Housing Law) and the New York State Human Rights Law. Therefore, the Town Board of Town of Newburgh does hereby approve the following resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED, that within available resources, the Town of Newburgh will assist all persons who feel they have been discriminated against under one of the aforementioned categories, to seek equity under federal and state laws by filing a complaint with the New York State Human Rights Law and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, as appropriate; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Newburgh 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 Law, the New York State Human Rights Law, and any local laws or ordinances.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Newburgh) will assist all persons who feel they have been discriminated against under one of the aforementioned categories, to seek equity under federal and state laws by filing a complaint with the New York State Human Rights Law and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, as appropriate; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Newburgh will at a minimum include, but not be limited to:

- (1) the printing and publicizing of this resolution, a fair housing public notice and other applicable fair housing information through local media, community contacts and placement on the Town's website and in other social media;
- (2) distribution of posters, flyers, and any other means which will bring to the attention of those affected, the knowledge of their respective responsibilities and rights concerning equal opportunity in housing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the aforesaid resolutions shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows:

Elizabeth Greene, Councilwoman	voting	AYE
Paul Ruggiero, Councilman	voting	AYE
Scott M. Manley, Councilman	voting	ABSENT
Anthony R. LoBiondio, Councilman	voting	ABSENT
Gilbert J. Piaquadio, Supervisor	voting	AYE

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

ATTEST:

Gilbert J. Piaquadio, Supervisor

May 23, 2022

(845) 564-4552 Telephone Number I, Lisa M. Vance Ayers, Town Clerk of the Town of Newburgh, hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and accurate copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted by the governing body of the municipality, at a meeting duly and regularly held on May 23, 2022, at which quorum was present throughout, and the required majority of the governing body voted in favor of this resolution. I further certify that this resolution is still in full force and effect and has not been revoked or modified.



Lisa M. Vance Ayers, Town Clerk
Town of Newburgh