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PROCLAMATION FAIR HOUSING MONTH APRIL 2026

WHEREAS; one of the greatest freedoms enjoyed by Americans is the freedom to live in a home of one's choice; and

WHEREAS; this promise made to us the Fair Housing Act which requires that all people be treated equally in connection with sale or rental of housing, regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, familial status or religion and in North Dakota receipt of public assistance, marital status and age; and

WHEREAS; this year marks the 58th anniversary of the Federal Fair Housing Act, the original legislation targeting the elimination of housing discrimination in America and promoting residential integration; and

WHEREAS; April has been designated Fair Housing Month since the adoption of fair housing legislation in April 1968 and is the time each year when the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, High Plains Fair Housing Center, and other groups organize events and activities to focus attention on the issue of equal opportunity in housing; and

WHEREAS; each resident of the City of Grand Forks is urged to support efforts to put into practice the principles of freedom, justice and equality upon which this great nation was founded during the nationwide observance of Fair Housing Month; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Brandon Bochenski, Mayor of Grand Forks, North Dakota do hereby proclaim April 2026 "**FAIR HOUSING MONTH**" in our city and urge all citizens to honor and abide by the letter and spirit of the Fair Housing Law.

Brandon Bochenski
Mayor of Grand Forks