

#24-19

## RESOLUTION ASSURING FAIR HOUSING

Whereas, it is the Brookings Board of County Commissioners' firm belief that discrimination in housing not only threatens the rights and privileges of the citizens of Brookings Ivy Center but also menaces the institutions and foundations of free and democratic society; and

Whereas, this body desires to give meaning to the guarantees of equal rights contained in the Constitution and laws of this State and the United States and to encourage and bring about mutual self-respect and understanding among all citizens and groups in Brookings County; and,

Whereas, under the federal fair housing, (Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968), it is illegal to deny housing to any person because of race, color, religion, sex or national origin; and,

Therefore, be it resolved the Brookings Ivy Center, South Dakota, makes a firm commitment to do all within its power to eliminate prejudice, intolerance, disorder and discrimination in housing.

Therefore, be it also resolved that the Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity logo will be displayed at the Brookings County office and on all official correspondence.

Therefore, be it also resolved that the following procedures will be used to accomplish the purpose of the aforementioned resolution:

1. The Brookings Board of County Commissioners shall inform all county employees of the County's commitment to equal housing.
2. The Brookings Board of County Commissioners shall direct all employees to forward immediately to the Chairman any reports they receive of housing discrimination.
3. The Chairman shall forward such complaints to the South Dakota Division of Human Rights within 10 days of receipt to said complaint.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Title Commission Chair

Date May 21, 2024