WHEREAS, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act, which guarantees fair housing for all residents of the United States, was signed into law in April 1968; and

WHEREAS, in celebration of the 51st Anniversary of the Fair Housing Act, the month of April is nationally being recognized as Fair Housing Month. This is a time to reflect on and reaffirm our commitment to the ideal that fair housing opportunity is available to everyone; and

WHEREAS, the State of Utah's Fair Housing Act recognizes and affirms that all persons in the State of Utah are free to purchase, rent, finance and insure their homes without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status, source of income, disability, sexual orientation, or gender identity; and

WHEREAS, this year we celebrate "**Call HUD**" Because Sexual Harassment in Housing is Illegal" with HUD and its housing partners in realizing our communities are open and welcoming, free from housing discrimination, harassment and hostility, and that everyone has access to neighborhoods of opportunity, where our children can attend quality schools, our environment allows us to be healthy, and economic opportunities and self-sufficiency can grow; and

WHEREAS, Salt Lake County supports all programs that educate the public concerning rights to equal housing opportunity and is dedicated to assuring every person the right to live free of the fear of housing discrimination.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jenny Wilson, Mayor of Salt Lake County, do hereby proclaim April 2019, as

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and urge all residents to commit to the principal of fair housing for all and support efforts that denounce and address discrimination in our communities.