

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YVONNE BURKE & DON KNABE

WHEREAS, April 2005 marks the 37th anniversary of the enactment of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, Title VIII, (the Act) which guarantees the right to equal housing opportunities; and

WHEREAS this is the 37th anniversary of the enactment of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended and strengthened in 1988; Title VIII of which guarantees the right to be free from housing discrimination based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, and disability; and

WHEREAS the State of California's Fair Employment and Housing Act and the Unruh Civil Rights Act also protect California residents from housing discrimination based on ancestry, marital status, sexual orientation, source of income, age, and other arbitrary bases; and

WHEREAS, the County of Los Angeles represents one of the most diverse jurisdictions in the nation; and

WHEREAS, the Community Development Commission of the County of Los Angeles supports and promotes fair housing activities in the County of Los Angeles in

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conjunction with the Housing Rights Center, the Fair Housing Foundation, and the Fair Housing Council of San Fernando Valley; and

WHEREAS, the nation annually celebrates the rights granted under the Act during the month of April, and this year the theme is “Fostering Secure and Diverse Communities.”

I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles hereby proclaim April as Fair Housing Month in order to recognize the value and importance of the rights guaranteed under the Act, and its amendments, and commit to the furtherance of its goals and ideals throughout the year.

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