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**Fair Housing Center Joins Jefferson Parish in Celebrating Fair Housing Month**

Jefferson Parish officials join the Fair Housing Action Center in celebrating fair housing month by proclaiming April, fair housing month. Jefferson Parish Council President, Aaron Broussard, and Councilman Bryan Lee will present the Proclamation to the Fair Housing Action Center, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Louisiana State University XXXXX. Each of the organizations plays a role in fighting housing discrimination in Jefferson Parish. The presentation will be made on Wednesday, April 13 at 9:30 a.m. at the Jefferson Parish West Bank Council Chambers located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Gretna Courthouse (200 Derbigny Street).

Fair Housing is celebrated in April because the Federal Fair Housing Act was passed on April 11, 1968, seven days after the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. President Lyndon B. Johnson urged congress to pass the Act in honor of King.

Fair Housing month will be further celebrated at FHAC's 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Fair Housing month Summit on April 28<sup>th</sup> at the Park Plaza hotel (formerly the Radisson), located at 1500 Canal Street in New Orleans from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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*The Greater New Orleans Fair Housing Action Center (GNOFHAC) is a private non-profit organization. The Center was established by a group of concerned New Orleanians in 1995 with the help of the National Fair Housing Alliance and a grant from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. GNOFHAC is dedicated to eliminating housing discrimination and furthering equal housing opportunities through education, outreach, advocacy, and enforcement of fair housing laws across the metro New Orleans and Baton Rouge areas.*