



P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States passed the Civil Rights Act of 1968, of which Title VIII declared that the law of the land now would guarantee the rights of equal housing opportunity; and

WHEREAS, the City of Arkansas City, Kansas, is committed to the mission and intent of Congress to provide fair and equal housing opportunities for all, and today, many realty companies and associations support fair housing laws; and

WHEREAS, these Fair Housing groups and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development have, through the years, received thousands of complaints of alleged illegal housing discrimination and found too many that have proved, upon investigation, to be violations of the fair housing laws; and

WHEREAS, equal housing opportunity is a condition of life in our City that can and should be achieved.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tad Stover, Mayor of Arkansas City, Kansas, do hereby proclaim the month of **April 2026** as

FAIR HOUSING MONTH

in Arkansas City and express the hope that this year's observance will promote fair housing practices throughout the City, Cowley County, Kansas, and the United States of America.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal to be affixed.

TAD STOVER, MAYOR

March 3, 2026