

# PROCLAMATION

*WHEREAS*, April 2016 marks the 48<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the signing of Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, which guarantees fair housing opportunities for all Americans; and

*WHEREAS*, the provision of fair housing opportunities for all citizens is a major goal of the City of Laurel; and

*WHEREAS*, the City of Laurel, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, concerned citizens, and the housing industry are working to realize the dream of fair and affordable housing for all of our residents; and

*WHEREAS*, the City of Laurel is proud of its efforts to further fair housing for all residents and recognizes that this can only be accomplished through forging partnerships with individuals, for profit, and non-profit organizations, the corporate community, and others; and

*WHEREAS*, by supporting and promoting fair housing and equal opportunity, we are contributing to the health of our county, state, and nation, and encouraging others to abide by the letter and the spirit of the Federal Fair Housing Act


*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Johnny Magee, Mayor of the City of Laurel, Mississippi, do hereby proclaim that the month of April, 2016 shall be known, designated, and set aside as

## FAIR HOUSING MONTH

in the City of Laurel and call upon all residents and citizens to recognize that compliance with the U.S. Fair Housing Laws is the equitable way in which to guarantee fair housing practices for all citizens.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF LAUREL, MISSISSIPPI, TO BE AFFIXED THIS THE 6<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL, A.D. 2016.

ATTEST:

  
Mary Ann Hess, City Clerk

  
Johnny Magee, Mayor  
City of Laurel

