RESOLUTION NO. 2016-4

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY HILLS’ BROAD DUTY TO AFFIRMATIVELY FURTHER FAIR HOUSING AND THE MONTH OF APRIL 2016 FAIR HOUSING MONTH IN LAKE COUNTY, OHIO.

WHEREAS, 2016 marks the 48th Anniversary of the passage of Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act; and

WHEREAS, it is an important goal of the federal, state and local governments to eliminate housing discrimination and assure the rights of every resident to buy, rent, and sell housing, without regard to race, color, sex, religion, familial status, national origin or disability; and

WHEREAS, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act and Presidential Executive Order 12892 initially described the obligation to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing (AFFH); and

WHEREAS, the AFFH final rule effective August 17, 2015 more clearly established the responsibility of participants using CDBG/HOME funds in great detail to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing at 80 Fed.Reg.42.272 and codified at 24 CFR Part 5; and

WHEREAS, The City of Willoughby Hills agrees that it is important to accord those we serve with an enhanced quality of life through the development of opportunities in housing, employment, education and services by the implementation of plans that assure all people are afforded their rights thus fostering open inclusion communities; and

WHEREAS, as an applicant or potential recipient of federal funds this agency, The City of Willoughby Hills agrees that it will take specified actions to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing (AFFH) and confidently asserts that all policies and practices adopted and in place are in conformance with applicable fair housing law and that prior to May 18, 2015 any outstanding civil rights matters are resolved per HUD Docket No. FR-5800-N-01 Section II-C.2b ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION – Threshold Requirements attached; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY HILLS, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF OHIO THAT:

SECTION 1. The City of Willoughby Hills recognizes the broad duty to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing and the month of April 2016 Fair Housing Month in Lake County, Ohio.

SECTION 2. The actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this legislation were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were held in compliance with all legal requirements including Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Willoughby Hills.

SECTION 3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect at the earliest time permitted by law.

PASSED: April 15, 2016

[Signature]

Nancy E. Fellows
President of Council

Submitted to the Mayor for his approval
On this 15th day of April 2016

[Signature]

Victoria Ann Savage
Clerk of Council

Approved by the Mayor
April 15, 2016

[Signature]

Robert M. Weger
Mayor