

**WHEREAS**, the Fair Housing Act, enacted on April 11, 1968, enshrined into federal law the goal of eliminating racial segregation and ending housing discrimination in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fair Housing Act prohibits discrimination in housing based on race, color, religion, sex, familial status, national origin, and disability, and commits recipients of federal funding to affirmatively further fair housing in their communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Mansfield is committed to the mission and intent of Congress to provide fair and equal housing opportunities for all; and

**WHEREAS**, our social fabric, the economy, health, and environment are strengthened in diverse, inclusive communities; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 50 years after the passage of the Fair Housing Act, discrimination persists, and many communities remain segregated;

**WHEREAS**, acts of housing discrimination and barriers to equal housing opportunity are repugnant of a common sense of decency and fairness,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Michael Evans, Mayor of the City of Mansfield, Texas, join with members of the City Council to hereby proclaim April 2021 as

### **FAIR HOUSING MONTH**

in Mansfield and remain committed to fair housing and to promoting activities by private and public entities that provide and advocate for equal housing opportunities for all residents and prospective residents.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I do hereby set my hand and cause the official seal of the City of Mansfield to be affixed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2021.