**PROCLAMATION**

*WHEREAS, the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (commonly known as the Federal Fair Housing Act) and the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 prohibit discrimination in the sale, rental, leasing and financing of housing or land to be used for the construction of housing or in the provision of brokerage services on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familiar status or nations origin; and*

*WHEREAS, shelter is a basic human need and when shelter is denied, the quality of human life is greatly diminished; and*

*WHEREAS, the 1968 and the 1988 Federal Fair Housing Acts declare that it is a national policy to ensure equal opportunities in housing; and*

*WHEREAS, April, 2014 marks the 46th anniversary of the signing of the Fair Housing Act; and*

*WHEREAS, April is designated nationally as "Fair Housing Month"; and*

*WHEREAS, the City of Benson recognizes and values the efforts of those who seek to reduce barriers to full and fair housing opportunity; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Toney D. King, Sr., Mayor of the City of Benson, Arizona, do proclaim April as*

***"FAIR HOUSING MONTH"***

*in Benson, Arizona and do hereby urge all citizens of this community to comply with the letter and spirit of the Fair Housing Law.*

*PROCLAIMED this 14th day of April, 2014*

*TONEY D. KING, SR., Mayor*

*ATTEST:*

Vicki L. Vivian

*VICKI L. VIVIAN, CMC, City Clerk*

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