



Town of Simsbury

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SIMSBURY, CONNECTICUT 06070

Thomas F. Cooke - Director of Administrative Services

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING AGENDA SUBMISSION FORM

1. **Title of submission:** Fair Housing Month Proclamation

2. **Date of submission:** 20 February 2014

3. **Date of Board Meeting:** 24 February 2014

4. **Individual or Entity making the submission:**
Edward J. LaMontagne, Executive Director, Simsbury Housing Authority
Tom Cooke, Director Administrative Services

5. **Action requested of the Board of Selectmen (Acceptance of gift, creation of reserve, approval of contract, information only, etc. Be as specific as possible with respect to the desired action of the Board.):**
*The Individual or Entity making the submission requests that the Board of Selectmen:
Approve a proclamation marking April 2014 as Fair Housing Month.*

6. **Individual(s) responsible for submission (Please include complete contact information. The identified individual(s) should be prepared to present information to the Board of Selectmen at the Board Meeting.):** Edward J. LaMontagne, Executive Director, Simsbury Housing Authority, 1600 Hopmeadow Street, Simsbury, 860-658-1147.

7. **Summary of Submission** (Include in your summary (i) relevant dates and timelines; (ii) parties involved; (iii) a description of financial terms and conditions specifically identifying the financial exposure/commitment of the Town of Simsbury; (iv) whether or not contracts, licenses and other legal documents have been reviewed by the Town's counsel; and (v) other information that will inform the Board of Selectmen's consideration of your submission. Include any additional information in an attached memorandum.):

2014 marks the 46th Anniversary of the passage of the Federal Fair Housing act. The Simsbury Housing Authority would like to recognize that milestone by requesting that the Board of Selectman approve April 2014 as Fair Housing Month.

8. **Description of documents included with submission** (All documents must be in final form and signed by the appropriate party.):

The following documents are included with this submission and attached hereto:
Copy of proclamation attached.



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Mary A. Glassman - First Selectman

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the year 2014 marks the 46th Anniversary of the passage of the Federal Fair Housing act; Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended; and

WHEREAS, this law guarantees that housing throughout the United States should be made available to all citizens without regard to race, color, religion, sex, family status, disability or national origin; and

WHEREAS, equality of opportunity for all is a fundamental policy of this nation, state and city, and

WHEREAS, barriers which diminish the rights and limit the options of any citizen will ultimately diminish the rights of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, the cooperation, commitment and support of all residents of the Town of Simsbury is necessary to removing barriers to the enjoyment of living where one chooses within one's means.

NOW THEREFORE, I MARY A. GLASSMAN, FIRST SELECTMAN of the Town of Simsbury do hereby Proclaim the month of April 2014 as

FAIR HOUSING MONTH

And request and encourage every citizen and business of our community to support and endorse Fair Housing; to reaffirm their commitment to Fair Housing for all, and wholeheartedly recognize these rights and responsibilities throughout the year.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have placed my seal and the great seal of the Town of Simsbury.

Dated the 24th day of February, 2014.

Mary A. Glassman, First Selectman

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