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City Council Staff Report

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Lead Department: Planning and Development Services

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TITLE

Proclamation of May 2023 as Affordable Housing Month

RECOMMENDATION

City Council proclaim the month of May as Affordable Housing Month in the City of Palo Alto

BACKGROUND

Affordable Housing Month is a national observance in the United States that is typically held in the month of May each year. The event was established to raise awareness about the need for affordable housing and to recognize the important role that affordable housing plays in building strong, sustainable, and inclusive communities.

Affordable Housing Month typically includes a variety of activities and events, such as workshops, rallies, and community outreach efforts. The focus of these events is to raise awareness about the need for affordable housing, educate the public about the benefits of affordable housing, and advocate for policies and programs that support the development of more affordable housing options.

The City, in collaboration with Silicon Valley at Home, is hosting for the first time ever an Affordable Housing Resources Fair on **Saturday, May 13 at 1:00 pm in King Plaza** (in front of City Hall). The fair is primarily focused on resources for low-income households and provides information about affordable housing in Palo Alto, fair housing, tenant protections, and other housing services. This is an exciting event to celebrate Affordable Housing Month. More info on the event available at: www.cityofpaloalto.org/housingfair.

In addition to the City's event, there are other events taking place in the Bay Area in May (information at <https://siliconvalleyathome.org/events/?category=affordable-housing-month>).

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Proclamation

APPROVED BY:

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