



**Agenda Item B.3
PRESENTATION
Meeting Date: April 21, 2026**

A Proclamation of the City Council of the City of Goleta, California, Proclaiming the Month of April 2026 as Fair Housing Month in the City of Goleta



PROCLAMATION

A PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLETA, CALIFORNIA, PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF APRIL 2026 AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH

WHEREAS, April is recognized nationally as Fair Housing Month, commemorating the passage of the Fair Housing Act of 1968 and reaffirming the right of all people to obtain housing free from discrimination; and

WHEREAS, fair housing protections help ensure that individuals and families are not denied housing opportunities based on race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, national origin, or other protected characteristics under federal and state law; and

WHEREAS, the City of Goleta's effort towards advancing equity in housing by partnering with the City of Santa Barbara's Rental Housing Mediation Program for more than 20 years educating the community and providing vital landlord-tenant mediation services that promote communication, resolve disputes, and prevent unnecessary evictions that can lead to homelessness; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of the County of Santa Barbara plays a critical role in administering rental assistance programs and increasing access to affordable housing for low-income households throughout our region, including many residents of Goleta; and

WHEREAS, partner agencies, along with local service providers and community advocates, are essential to strengthening housing stability and ensuring that all residents have the opportunity to live with dignity and security.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT that the City Council of the City of Goleta hereby proclaims April 2026 as Fair Housing Month in the City of Goleta and recognizes the dedicated efforts of our regional partners in advancing fair housing and preventing homelessness; and that the City encourages all residents, housing providers, and community stakeholders to uphold fair housing principles and work collaboratively to maintain Goleta as an inclusive community where everyone has the opportunity to thrive.

APPROVED this 21st day of April 2026





PAULA PEROTTE
MAYOR