Armondo Pavone Mayor



Whereas, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) defines affordable housing as "housing on which the occupant is paying no more than 30 percent of gross income for housing costs, including utilities"; and

*Whereas*, 7,702 Renton families are considered "housing insecure" because they are spending more than half of their income on rent and utilities; and

Whereas, all people should have access to safe, healthy, and affordable homes within their communities, which benefits the people who reside in these properties, their neighbors, businesses, employers, and the community as a whole; and

*Whereas*, the City of Renton 2023-2028 Business Plan has the goal to provide a safe, healthy, and vibrant community, and the city achieves and furthers the goals of the Business Plan by working with affordable housing partners; and

Whereas, two such organizations are Habitat for Humanity Seattle-King & Kittitas Counties and Homestead Community Land Trust, non-profit affordable homeownership developers providing affordable housing in the City of Renton; and

Whereas, the City of Renton endorses the goals, objectives, and purposes of Affordable Housing Week, and recommits to providing a community that thrives with opportunity where all people live with dignity in safe, healthy, and affordable homes; and

*Whereas*, for more information about Affordable Housing Week education and advocacy events, residents can visit www.housingconsortium.org/affordable-housing-week;

*Now, therefore,* I, Armondo Pavone, Mayor of the City of Renton, do hereby proclaim May 7 through May 13, 2023 to be

Affordable Housing Week

in the City of Renton, and I encourage all residents to join me in this special observance.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Renton to be affixed this 8th day of May, 2023.

Armondo Pavone, Mayor City of Renton, Washington

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