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SC Housing Recognizes Fair Housing Month

[Columbia, SC] April 3-In observance of April as Fair Housing Month, the South Carolina State Housing Finance and Development Authority (SC Housing) endorsed a proclamation observing the 49th anniversary of the memorable landmark legislation that established a national policy of Fair Housing. The signing of this proclamation commemorates the enactment of Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968.

This legislation has helped open the doors of opportunity for countless Americans in achieving the American Dream of safe, decent and affordable housing. The Fair Housing Act, recognized as an indispensable tool in stamping out housing discrimination, also protects those who may become victims of the unscrupulous lending practices of predatory lenders.

SC Housing recognizes the importance of the Fair Housing Act as it works toward increasing quality affordable housing stock across the state. “Fair Housing Month gives us the opportunity to reaffirm our commitment that ensures our citizens have equal access to affordable housing and places special emphasis on increasing homeownership opportunities for the citizens of South Carolina,” said Executive Director Valarie M. Williams.

Affordable housing also makes good economic sense for SC. The Moore School of Business recently determined that SC Housing program delivered \$693 Million in total economic impact to the state’s economy (in Fiscal Year 2016) and created 4,719 jobs. For every \$100 SC Housing invested in affordable housing, the state realizes \$172 in economic benefit.

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For more than forty years, SC Housing has created quality affordable housing opportunities for the citizens of South Carolina. SC Housing's vision is that all residents have the opportunity to live in safe, decent and affordable housing. SC Housing is self-sustaining and receives no state appropriations. For more information, visit www.SCHousing.com.

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