



Armondo Pavone Mayor

Proclamation

Whereas, the US 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, the COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated many existing financial constraints for low- and moderate-income households, and studies have found that each \$100 increase in median rent results in a 15% increase in homelessness in metro areas and a 39% increase in homelessness in nearby suburbs and rural areas; and

Whereas, there were 421 students identified as homeless during the 2021-22 school year by Renton School District; and

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

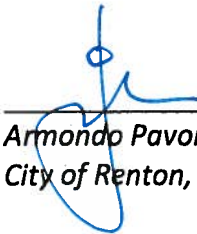
Whereas, , because there is still a critical need to create healthy communities with ample affordable housing, the City of Renton endorses the goals, objectives, and purposes of Affordable Housing Week, and in doing so, firmly recommits itself to ensuring that our community’s recovery from the crises at hand is equitable, and that all people in Renton live with dignity in safe, healthy, and affordable homes;

Now, therefore, I, Armondo Pavone, Mayor of the City of Renton, do hereby proclaim May 8 through May 14 to be

Affordable Housing Week

in the City of Renton, and I encourage all citizens 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 9th day of May, 2022.


Armondo Pavone, Mayor
City of Renton, Washington

