

A PROCLAMATION
OF THE CITY OF SARATOGA SPRINGS, NY

WHEREAS, this April marks the 46th anniversary of the passage of the Fair Housing Act of 1968, which sought to eliminate discrimination in housing opportunities and to affirmatively further housing choices for all Americans; and

WHEREAS, the ongoing struggle for dignity and housing opportunity for all is not the exclusive responsibility of the Federal government; and

WHEREAS, vigorous local efforts to combat discrimination can be as effective, if not more so, than Federal efforts; and

WHEREAS, illegal barriers to equal opportunity in housing, no matter how subtle, diminish the rights of all;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOANNE D. YEPSEN, Mayor of the city of Saratoga Springs, proudly join my fellow Saratogians in recognizing that in the pursuit of the shared goal and responsibility of providing equal housing opportunities for all men and women, do hereby join in the national celebration by proclaiming **APRIL 2014 as FAIR HOUSING MONTH** and encourage all agencies, institutions and individuals, public and private, in Saratoga Springs to abide by the letter and the spirit of the Fair Housing law.

Signed and sealed this 23rd day of April, 2014



Joanne D. Yepsen
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Mayor