

Ordinance to amend the La Porte County Fair Housing Act of 1999

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners of La Porte County recognize that our Fair Housing Ordinance, located within Chapter 91 of the La Porte County Code of Ordinances, need revision in order to comply with current Federal Law;

WHEREAS, the following additions and modifications to the current Fair Housing Ordinance will enable La Porte County to be in full compliance with Federal law specifically the United States Housing and Urban Development; and,

WHEREAS, this Ordinance, in conjunction with the La Porte County Fair Housing Ordinance located within Chapter 91 of the La Porte County Code of Ordinances, shall constitute the complete representation of the County's Fair Housing Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IS RESOLVED, by the BOARD of Commissioners of La Porte County, that:

1. Section 91.11 Equal Access to housing in HUD Programs be added as stated, (A) Pursuant to 24 CFR Part 5.403 the definition of "family" is revised to include families regardless of the actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status of its members;
2. Section 91.12 Severability of Provisions be added as stated, (A) If any provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstances shall be determined to be invalid, the remainder of the ordinance and the application of its provisions to other persons not similarly situated or to other circumstances shall not be affected thereby;
3. Familial Status be changed under the definitions section 91.02 to the following, " One or more individuals who have not attained the age of (18) being domiciled with a parent or another person having legal custody of such individual or the written permission of such parent or another person. The protections afforded against discrimination on the basis of familial status shall apply to any person who is pregnant or is in the process of securing legal custody of any individual who has not attained the age of (18) years.
 - A) Commission (IC 22-9.5-2-3) means Indiana Civil Rights Commission created pursuant to IC 22-9-1-4, et . Seq.
 - B) Complainant (IC 22-9.5-2-4) means a person, including the Commission, who files a complaint under IC 22-9.5-6.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Commissioners of La Porte Commissioners of La Porte County, Indiana, on this 5th day of Feb, 2014

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LA PORTE COUNTY, INDIANA




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