## CITY OF MERCER

Original Date: August 1, 2021

## TITLE VI NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY STATEMENT

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 ensures that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination, including sex, age, disability, low-income, or LEP discrimination, under any program or activity for which the Recipient receives Federal financial assistance. The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 clarified the original intent of Congress, with respect to Title VI and other Non-discrimination requirements (The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973) by restoring the broad, institutional-wide scope and coverage of these non-discrimination statutes and requirements to include all programs and activities of the Recipient, so long as any portion of the program is Federally-assisted.

The City of Mercer (City) is a political subdivision of the State of North Dakota. It is the policy of the City to ensure compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and all related statutes or regulation in all programs and activities.

I, as Mayor of the City, am personally committed to and in support of taking all steps to ensure that no person or groups of persons shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, low-income or LEP discrimination; be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any and all programs, services or activities administered by the City.

The Title VI Coordinator is granted the authority to administer and monitor the Title VI and Nondiscrimination Program as promulgated under the Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and any subsequent legislation.

The City recognizes the need and will provide Title VI training for City personnel.

Anyone who believes that he or she has been discriminated against would contact the City Title VI Coordinator at 701-447-2600.

City of Mercer

Ronald Schatz, Mayor

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