



Legislation Text

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Item:

Resolution - Celebrating & Honoring the Life & Service of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Date of BOCC Meeting: January 14, 2019

Request for Board Action:

The Board is requested to issue a resolution celebrating & honoring the Life & Service of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The purpose of the resolution is to recognize and honor the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and his commitment to a free and just world; in addition to calling on the residents of Durham County to join the Durham Community Martin Luther King, Jr. Steering Committee, Inc. in reflecting on and advancing Dr. King's life and fulfilling his dream.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. devoted his life to equality, social justice, economic advancement, and opportunity for all. Dr. King used his gift of oratory to awaken America to the realities of life for African Americans and to make life better for all by encouraging change through nonviolent means. The 2019 King Holiday Celebration will include the Wreath Laying Ceremony, Interfaith Prayer Breakfast, Day-of-Service, Unity March & Rally, and Annual Religious Service.

Each year, the Durham Community Martin Luther King, Jr. Steering Committee, Inc. plans appropriate ceremonies and programs in recognition of the King Holiday to preserve the legacy and example of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Goal 1: Community & Family Prosperity and Enrichment; Goal 3: Safe & Secure Community; and Goal 5: Accountable, Efficient and Visionary Government

Resource Persons: DeWarren K. Langley, JD, MPA, Secretary, Durham Community Martin Luther King, Jr. Steering Committee, Inc.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board issue a resolution celebrating & honoring the Life & Service of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

County Manager: _____