

Resolution No. 2020 -

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 2020 AS MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY

WHEREAS, Monday, January 20, 2020 is a day of remembrance of the Reverend Martin Luther King Jr., born January 15, 1929, who dedicated his life to the pursuit of equality for all regardless of race, creed or national origin; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. traveled to communities all across our nation and around the world to deliver his lectures and teach his belief of non-violent resolution; his words provided inspiration and sustenance to those in American society struggling against racism, poverty and war; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. delivered the most famous of his speeches, "I Have a Dream," during the greatest civil rights demonstration in the history of our nation, which was held on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington D.C. on August 28, 1963; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. paid the ultimate sacrifice for his beliefs when he was assassinated on April 4, 1968 in Memphis, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, in Solano County and in communities across this nation we remember the life, work and the dream of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. as a national holiday first observed on January 20, 1986 and continues to be observed annually in his honor on the third Monday in January; and

WHEREAS, from his 1963 book Strength to Love, Dr. King writes these words to live by:

"The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy. The true neighbor will risk his position, his prestige, and even his life for the welfare of others."

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors recognizes Monday, January 20, 2020 as Martin Luther King Jr. Day, a day to express our heartfelt appreciation of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and to honor his legacy as a man of determination, dignity, honor and strength.

Dated this 14th day of January, 2020

ERIN HANNIGAN, Chairwoman
Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
BIRGITTA E. CORSELLO, Clerk
Solano County Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Jeanette Neiger, Chief Deputy Clerk