

Resolution Commemorating the Life and Achievements of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

WHEREAS, The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. had a dream of a country without prejudice and bigotry, where people would be accepted based on their actions and not on the color of their skin; and

WHEREAS, through his determination, spirit, and resolve, Dr. King helped lift souls and lead one of the greatest movements for equality and freedom in history; and

WHEREAS, in March 1962, Dr. King visited the City of Eau Claire to give a speech at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire. During his speech, he called for President Kennedy to put an end to racial segregation and issue a second Emancipation Proclamation; and

WHEREAS, the third Monday in January, a national holiday since 1983, has become known as a National Day of Service by which to honor Dr. King's legacy, with the reminder that we must preserve a nation which practices equality for all; and

WHEREAS, the Eau Claire School Board wishes to honor the lasting legacy of this great American, remember the ideals for which he fought, and commit to Dr. King's vision of a beloved community; and

WHEREAS, the Eau Claire School Board encourages the students and families of the Eau Claire Area School District to honor Dr. King by living out his teachings, as we continue to work for the day when the dignity and humanity of every person is respected.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Eau Claire School Board honors Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. by proclaiming the third Monday in January to henceforth be known as ECASD Day of Service and Learning, a day to study and act on the legacy of Dr. King and the ideals he represented.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the School Board of the Eau Claire Area School District, has executed this resolution this 8th day of January 2018.

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