

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., committed himself and his work to the advancement of social justice, equity, and equality for all, while challenging American society to participate in the unifying act of service for those in need within our communities; and

WHEREAS, since the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Dr. King's vision of a progressive nation inspired by the commitment of service and advocacy for equally protected rights for all, has led to this federally recognized National Day of Service; and

WHEREAS, the King Holiday and Service Act, enacted in 1994, has led many local and national organizations to dedicate this day of service as an impetus for their ongoing commitment to service throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, the King Day of Service is the only federal holiday commemorated as a national day of service, where nonprofit, community-based organizations, educational institutions, public agencies, and private businesses come together to participate in service of the community; and

WHEREAS, Monday, January 15, 2024, has been set aside as a federal and state holiday to honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and his commitment to service; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Barbara Buffaloe, Mayor of the City of Columbia, Missouri do hereby proclaim Monday, January 15, 2024, as

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., DAY OF SERVICE

in the City of Columbia, Missouri, and ask everyone in this great city to derive the inspiration from Dr. King and to serve the least and left behind so that our community may live up to the values and decrees established by this altruistically notable figure for justice.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed hereto the seal of the City of Columbia, this 15th day of January, 2024.

Barbara Buffaloe

Barbara Buffaloe, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sheela Amin
Sheela Amin, City Clerk