

COUNCIL CHAMBER

City of Berea, Ohio

RESOLUTION No. 2021-3

By Jim Maxwell Sponsored By Mayor Cyril M. Kleem
All of Council

A RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING JANUARY 18, 2021 AS THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTH OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., AND HONORING AND REMEMBERING HIS MESSAGE, MOVEMENT AND THE DREAM THAT WE, IN THIS CITY AND COUNTRY, CONTINUE TO TRY AND MAKE A REALITY.

WHEREAS, the birth of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. is celebrated each year as a federal holiday in the United States, and in 2021 this holiday occurred on Monday, January 18th; and

WHEREAS, due to the pandemic, the annual celebrations and events sponsored by Baldwin Wallace University, in conjunction with the Berea community and the Campus/Community MLK Week Committee, are understandably unable to be conducted in their usual forms; and

WHEREAS, at a time when our Nation is enduring both political and racial strife, it is more vital than ever to honor and remember the dignity, courage and leadership of Dr. King and boldly proclaim his message of equality and content of character, while encouraging the peaceful means of protesting that he so adamantly advised; and

WHEREAS, all throughout the year, and most especially during the week of January 18, 2021, it is important to find a way to honor the legacy of Dr. King, whether it be through virtual discussions, acts of service, or other honorable means that will appropriately pay tribute to this exceptional and influential American icon.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berea, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That the Mayor of the City of Berea, the President and all Members of Council and the Officers of the Administration do hereby recognize January 18, 2021 as the anniversary of the birth of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., honor and remember his message, movement and the dream that we, in this City and Country, continue to try and make a reality, and encourage residents to, even during the current pandemic, find a safe way to meaningfully acknowledge the celebration of Dr. King, a truly exceptional, influential and outstanding American leader.

SECTION 2. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the approval of this Resolution were approved in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: January 19, 2021

[Signature]
President of Council

ATTEST: [Signature]
Clerk of Council

APPROVED: January 20, 2021
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Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Director of Law