

COUNCIL CHAMBER

City of Berea, Ohio

RESOLUTION No. 2017-2

By Margaret S. Key

Sponsored By Mayor Cyril M. Kleem

Council President Mary K. Brown
All Members of Council

A RESOLUTION

SUPPORTING THE 2017 CELEBRATION OF THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTH OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

WHEREAS, the birth of Martin Luther King, Jr. is celebrated each year as a federal holiday in the United States, and in 2017 this holiday occurs on Monday, January 16th, with celebrations and events sponsored by Baldwin Wallace University, in conjunction with the Berea community and the Campus/Community MLK Week Committee, taking place throughout the week; and

WHEREAS, on the evening of Sunday, January 15th, the annual MLK Candlelight March will begin at 7:00p.m. at Durst Welcome Center, 115 Tressel Street, where university and community members can combine to march in the strong, steady light of Dr. King's accomplishments, and may return to the Welcome Center for a brief reflection and refreshments; and

WHEREAS, on Monday, January 16th, the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Holiday, the Annual MLK Prayer Breakfast will be held at Mt. Zion Baptist Church, 572 Pearl Street, and will begin at 9:00a.m., featuring music, readings and a delicious breakfast; and

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, January 17th, a Legacy Service, hosted by a Community Choir that includes vocalists from Berea-Midpark High School, Baldwin Wallace University and the Berea Community, will be held at Kleist Center for Art & Drama, 95 East Bagley Road, beginning at 7:00p.m., and will be immediately followed by the week's keynote address concerning the topic of "Embracing Diversity: How Swing Dance Changed America", delivered by Norma Miller, the "Queen of Swing", and international swing dance instructors Adam Brozowski and Valerie Salstrom; and

WHEREAS, on Wednesday, January 18th, Baldwin Wallace Career Services will feature Socially Responsible Careers at 2:30p.m. in Sandstone Three, located at Strosacker Hall, 120 East Grand Street; and

WHEREAS, on the evening of Wednesday, January 18th, Creative Expressions will be held at the Berea Library, 7 Berea Commons, beginning at 6:30p.m., and will showcase media crafted by local students that celebrates the life and legacy of Dr. King, and will conclude with a viewing of the featured film, "Selma"; and

WHEREAS, on Thursday, January 19th, at 12:15p.m., the Lindsay-Crossman Chapel, 56 Seminary Street, will host a Chapel Worship Service to honor the memory of Dr. King.

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 support the 2017 celebration of the birth and life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and, in commemoration of Dr. King's birthday, encourage all citizens and civic, cultural, and religious groups in the City of Berea to participate in the events being held in memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., an exceptional, influential and outstanding American leader.

SECTION 2. That this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: January 3, 2017

[Signature]
President of Council

ATTEST:

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Clerk of Council

APPROVED: January 3, 2017

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Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Director of Law