

## **A RESOLUTION**

### **RECOGNIZING JANUARY 17, 2022 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 2022 this holiday occurred on Monday, January 17<sup>th</sup>; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the ongoing pandemic, some of the annual celebrations and events sponsored by Baldwin Wallace University, in conjunction with the Berea community and the Campus/Community MLK Week Committee, have been cancelled, while others have been modified, postponed or moved to virtual platforms; and

**WHEREAS**, the Berea Branch of the Cuyahoga County Public Library will continue to offer two commemorative events, Creative Expressions, a visual arts exhibit, as well as StoryWalk, an outdoor exhibition for the entire family, both of which will be on display beginning January 17, 2022 and concluding January 23, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, on Thursday, January 20, 2022 at 12:15pm, the Lindsay-Crossman Chapel on the campus of Baldwin Wallace University will host a Chapel Service that is open to all who would like to worship and honor the memory of Dr. King; and

**WHEREAS**, all throughout the year, and most especially during the week of January 17, 2022, it is important to find ways 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 17, 2022 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 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:

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President of Council

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of Council

APPROVED:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Mayor

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Director of Law