



PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** on August 28, 1963, on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. articulated the founding dream of America, that each of us are created equal, and challenged America to make freedom a reality for all; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. devoted his life to advancing equality, social justice, and opportunity for all, and challenged all Americans to participate in the never-ending work of building a more perfect union; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. King helped shape the Civil Rights Movement, gave hope to millions experiencing discrimination, and inspired many to pursue a more just and equal society; and
- WHEREAS,** millions of Americans have been inspired by the life and work of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. to serve their neighbors and communities, and Dr. King's teachings can continue to guide and inspire us in addressing the challenges in our communities; and
- WHEREAS,** racism and inequality persists in our society and there have been numerous protests, marches, and rallies across the country calling for an end to institutional, structural, and systemic racism; and
- WHEREAS,** on July 13, 2020, the City of Northglenn passed Resolution No. 20-112 standing against racism and committing to create a community where all individuals are treated equitably, which must happen if we are to achieve Dr. King's dream of a society where people "will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character"; and
- WHEREAS,** the third Monday of each January is observed as Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, and the City of Northglenn wishes to honor a great American who awakened a nation's conscience and continues to inspire us to reflect on the gains we have made, and recommit ourselves to the work that remains as we strive for a more just society.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Meredith Leighty, Mayor of the City of Northglenn, Colorado, do hereby proclaim January 18, 2021 as

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

in the City of Northglenn and urge each individual in the community to take time on this day to pay tribute to the life and works of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and to recommit themselves to Dr. King's dream by engaging in acts of service to others, to their community, and to our country.

DATED, at Northglenn, Colorado, this 11th day of January 2021.



MEREDITH LEIGHTY

Mayor

