



WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. took all of us to the mountaintop, sharing his vision of a nation ruled by equality and justice for all people; and

WHEREAS, through peaceful protests and marches, Dr. King's mighty message of racial equality and nonviolence rang out; and

WHEREAS, his eloquence, leadership and moral strength galvanized nationwide support for civil rights, leading to the passage of key civil rights legislation in the 1960s; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King's words continue to resonate today, reminding us that America does not stand for division and hatred, it stands for compassion and wisdom; and

WHEREAS, as we pay tribute to the extraordinary life and legacy of Dr. King, let us dedicate ourselves to pursuing his dream; and

WHEREAS, here in Volusia County and around this great nation, let citizens of all colors and creeds come together to forge a future that is free of racism; **NOW THEREFORE**,

WE, THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, do hereby proclaim January 16, 2017, as:

"DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY"

in Volusia County and urge all residents to celebrate the life and legacy of one of America's greatest visionary leaders.

Dated this 14th day of January, A.D. 2017

COUNTY COUNCIL
VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

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ED KELLEY, County Chair

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Deborah A. Denys".

DEBORAH DENYS, Vice Chair, District 3

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Pat Patterson".

PAT PATTERSON, District 1

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Heather Post".

HEATHER POST, District 4

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joyce M. Cusack".

JOYCE M. CUSACK, At-Large

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Billie Wheeler".

BILLIE WHEELER, District 2

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "DR. FRED LOWRY".

DR. FRED LOWRY, District 5