



## **Martin Luther King Jr Day January 20, 2020**

**Whereas:** The City of Roseville recognizes and honors the work of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.; and

**Whereas:** Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was the chief spokesperson for nonviolent activism in the civil rights movement, which successfully protested racial discrimination in federal and state law; and

**Whereas:** Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was jailed and arrested numerous times for speaking out against racism and discrimination and for trying to help African Americans to register and vote; and

**Whereas:** Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in December, 1964; and

**Whereas:** Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated on April 4, 1968 because of his fight for equality and civil rights for all; and

**Whereas:** An Act of Congress of the United States in 1983, declared the third Monday in January to officially honor Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.; and

**Whereas:** Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. said “Life’s most persistent and urgent question is what are you doing for others;” and

**Whereas:** Each year, Americans across the country answer that question by coming together on Martin Luther King Day to serve their neighbors and communities.

**Now, Therefore Be It Resolved,** that the City Council hereby declare January 20, 2020, to be Martin Luther King Jr. Day in the City of Roseville and urges all citizens to join together to honor Dr. King by committing to volunteering in the community.

**In Witness Whereof,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Roseville to be affixed this 6<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2020.

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Mayor Daniel J. Roe