

PROCLAMATION

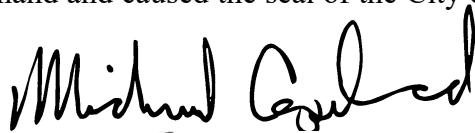
- WHEREAS,** the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., a great apostle of non-violence in the crusade for human rights, became a martyr in the civil rights movement by dying at the hand of an assassin on April 4, 1968, his life ending at 39 years of age; and
- WHEREAS,** “Ending Silence” is the theme for the Olathe community’s activities celebrating the life and achievements of Dr. King, which will include a Martin Luther King Day celebration at the MidAmerica Nazarene Bell Cultural Arts Center on January 20; and
- WHEREAS,** since the creation of our City’s volunteer board known as the Olathe Human Relations Commission, Olathe Human Relations Commissioners have worked tirelessly to embrace Dr. King’s ideals of human decency and goodwill, challenging all Olatheans to dialogue at the table of brotherhood; and
- WHEREAS,** the Olathe Human Relations Commission exemplifies true partnerships, working with the City of Olathe, the Olathe, Overland Park, Leawood NAACP branch, the Olathe Public Library, MidAmerica Nazarene University, and faculty and youth of Olathe Public Schools in a collaborative effort to promote and celebrate the ideals of freedom, equality, and fairness for all people; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Olathe is pleased to join the Olathe Human Relations Commission, community organizations, and our nation in paying tribute to the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., as we recognize Monday, January 21, as a national and local holiday in the City of Olathe.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael Copeland, Mayor of the City of Olathe, do hereby proclaim January 21, 2019,

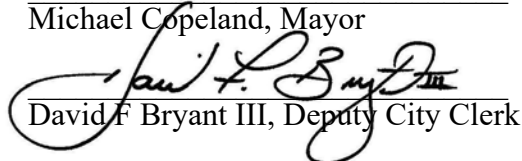
DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

in Olathe, urging all residents to join together in rededicating and committing ourselves to upholding equal rights and justice for all.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Olathe to be affixed this eighth day of January, 2019.



Michael Copeland, Mayor



David F. Bryant III, Deputy City Clerk