PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. said "The time is always ripe to

do right,", inspiring the theme of Olathe's 21st annual celebration in his

honor: "A Call to Action"; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King is a historical icon and an inspiration, as a symbol of freedom,

equality and fairness for all, values to which Olathe is committed; and

WHEREAS, since 1967 the Olathe Human Relations Commission has worked

tirelessly to embrace Dr. King's ideals of human decency and goodwill;

and

WHEREAS, the City of Olathe is pleased to support the Commission, as well as the

Olathe School District, the Olathe Public Library, and sponsor Garmin, to honor the life of Dr. King, and to witness the legacy of his impact

through students' artwork and essays, at the annual celebration.

NOW, **THEREFORE**, I, John Bacon, Mayor of the City of Olathe, do hereby proclaim January 18, 2021,

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

in Olathe, encouraging all residents to join us in the virtual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day celebration on Sunday, January 17; and

We urge each Olathean to redidcate oneself 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 fifth day of January, 2021.

John W. Bacon, Mayor

Brenda D. Long, City Clerk