

Proclamation

PROCLAIMING MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 2023 AS MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

WHEREAS, that all people, regardless of the color of their skin, the persuasion of their theology, or the level of their intelligence, were built by one Creator with one blood, designed and fashioned to live on one earth with one another; and

WHEREAS, Martin Luther King, Jr. was a minister who dedicated his life for this purpose so we may, as Americans, truly live out the Declaration of Independence as we hold these truths to be self-evident, that all people are created equal, that they are endowed by their creator with certain inalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness; and

WHEREAS, the third Monday of each January be acknowledged as Martin Luther King, Jr. Day in the City of Fruita as a City holiday and a day to acknowledge a great American who awakened a nation's conscience to not judge a person by the color of their skin but by the content of their heart; and

WHEREAS, every year in the week leading up to Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, several events are held within the Grand Valley communities to not only honor Martin Luther King, Jr., but to also educate and build stronger ties; and

WHEREAS, in cooperation with the City of Grand Junction, several events are planned to commemorate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day on January 16th.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE FRUITA CITY COUNCIL
DOES HERBY PROCLAIM MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 2023 AS:**

"MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY"

In the City of Fruita and encourages the citizens of Fruita to observe this day with appropriate activities and programs that honor the memory and legacy of Dr. King.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Fruita this 3rd day of January 2023.

Joel Kincaid, Mayor, City of Fruita

