



Proclamation

Honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. inspired millions of Americans to participate in non-violent protests to support the ideals of equality for all and was a motivating force behind a civil rights movement that had as its goal a creation of a society tolerant of all races, cultures, and nationalities; *and*

WHEREAS, the ideals of Dr. King and of the Town of Landis's commitment to human rights are worthy of reflection and serve as a reminder that improving the quality of life for all members of our community is the responsibility of every citizen; *and*

WHEREAS, the celebration of Dr. King's birthday is intended as a time for all Americans to reaffirm their commitment to the basic principles that underlie our Constitution – equality and justice for all.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, I, Meredith Bare Smith, Mayor of the Town of Landis, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim, January 19, 2026, as “Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day” in the Town of Landis, and urge all citizens to rededicate themselves to the principles of respect for human rights and freedom, of belief in nonviolence, and of commitment to improving our community through community service and volunteerism.

I hereby set my hand and have caused the Seal of the Town of Landis, North Carolina, to be affixed this the 12th day of January 2026.

Meredith Bare Smith, Mayor

Attest:

Madison Stegall, Town Clerk