Proclamation

Celebrating Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day 2023

Whereas, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. devoted his life to advancing equality, social justice, and opportunity for all, and challenged all Americans to participate in the never-ending work of building a more perfect union; and

Whereas, Dr. King's teachings can continue to guide and inspire us in addressing challenges in our communities; and

Whereas, the King Holiday and Service Act, enacted in 1994, designated the King Holiday as a national day of volunteer service; and

Whereas, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights empowers us all. The principles enshrined in the Declaration are as relevant today as they were in 1948; and

Whereas, since 1994, millions of Americans have been inspired by the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. to serve their neighbors and communities on the King Holiday; and

Whereas, serving others on the King Holiday is an appropriate way to honor Dr. King, meet local and national needs, bring our citizens together, and strengthen our communities and nation; and

Whereas, the King Day of Service is the only federal holiday commemorated as a national day of service, and offers an opportunity for Americans to give back to their communities on the Holiday and make an ongoing commitment to service throughout the year; and

Whereas, each of us can and must contribute to making our communities better with increased opportunity for all our citizens.

Now, therefore, the Salida City Council does hereby proclaim and declare Monday, January 16th, 2023 as Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day in Salida, Colorado, and further encourages all Salidans to participate in a day of service in tribute to the life and works of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

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