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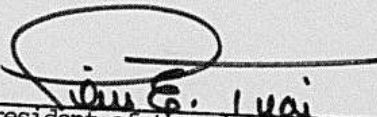
WHEREAS, his dedicated service should be recognized by all citizens as a monument to justice, freedom, and equality in the City of Seattle and State of Washington, and the United States of America; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE, THE MAYOR CONCURRING:

That we express our gratitude for his services to mankind and request the Legislature to enact a law making January 15 a Legal Holiday in lieu of or in combination with another Legal Holiday;

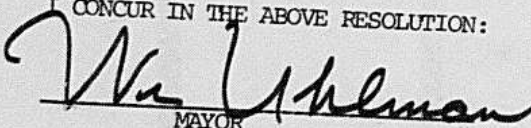
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the City Council as a memorial to his full and useful life, and that a copy of this resolution be signed and sent to his family, the Governor of the State of Washington, and the 1973 Session of the State of Washington Legislature.

ADOPTED by the City Council this 15 day of January, 1973, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its adoption this 15 day of January, 1973.



Vincent E. Iwai
President of the City Council

I CONCUR IN THE ABOVE RESOLUTION:

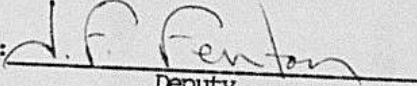


MAYOR


Filed by me this 16 day of January, 1973.


ATTEST: 

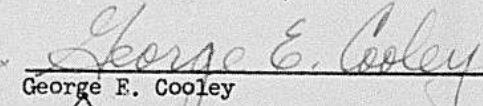
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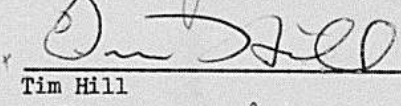
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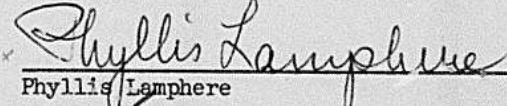
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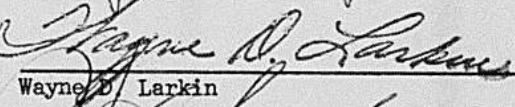

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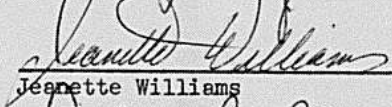

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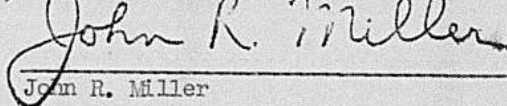

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President of the City Council

I CONCUR IN THE ABOVE RESOLUTION:

MAYOR

Filed by me this _____ day of January, 1973.

ATTEST: _____
City Comptroller and City Clerk

BY: _____
Deputy

January 18, 1973

Mrs. Coretta Scott King & Family
234 Sunset Avenue Northwest
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Mrs. King & Family:

The City Clerk has granted me the privilege of transmitting to you a copy of Resolution No. 23982 passed by the City Council of our City commemorating the birthdate of your late husband, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and requesting our Legislature to make that same date a Legal Holiday.

It is a small thing that we are trying to do in relationship to the great work undertaken and achieved by your late husband. We know that many thousands received inspiration from his works which will last far beyond any action which we may take.

Furthermore, we understand that no action we can take will be sufficient to give adequate recognition, but it is our way of saying to you and your family that we are thankful to God that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., was with us in this world and in this City and that it was our great pleasure to have known him and of his works. We hope that this small action will be taken in the spirit in which it was given.

Yours very truly,

SAM SMITH
City Councilman

SS:ea
Enclosure

January 19, 1973

The Honorable John Cherberg
Lieutenant Governor of Washington
Olympia, Washington 98501

Honorable Sir:

The City Clerk has granted me the privilege of transmitting to you a copy of Resolution No. 23982 commemorating the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and requesting the Legislature to enact a law making January 15th, his birthdate, a Legal Holiday.

I am sure that you realize that many states, cities, and counties throughout the nation are taking action of this nature and even the Congress of the United States has a bill pending before it. It would please many of the citizens in our State if affirmative action could be taken by the Legislature similar to what is requested in the body of the Resolution.

I understand that you have many problems facing you during this particular time, but believe that proper recognition of a dedicated life is an undertaking worthwhile which could cause all of the members of your august body to be proud.

We anxiously await your consideration.

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Speaker of the House of Representatives
Olympia, Washington 98501

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The Honorable Daniel J. Evans
Governor, State of Washington
Office of the Governor
Olympia, Washington 98501

Dear Governor Evans:

The City Clerk has granted me the privilege of forwarding to you a copy of Resolution No. 23962, commemorating the birthdate of the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and requesting the Legislature to enact a law making January 15th a Legal Holiday.

This Resolution was passed by the City Council on Monday, January 15th. May I add my own personal note in submitting this request for action by the Legislature in suggesting you submit an Executive Request to the Legislature similar to what is embodied in the enclosed Resolution.

Now I realize that this is my own personal note rather than that of the City Council, but I felt that since I gave verbal notice to your Representative at the meeting Sunday, January 14th, that I should follow it through with this request.

I would appreciate any action you may take in this regard.

Yours very truly,

SAM SMITH
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