

Martin Luther King Jr. Unity Day

WHEREAS, each year our Nation honors Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. as an American who dedicated his life to the fundamental principles of freedom, opportunity, and equal justice for all; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King dreamed of an America where all citizens would be judged by the content of their character and not by the color of their skin. He dreamed of an America where all would enjoy the riches of freedom and the security of justice. He dreamed of an America where the doors of opportunity would be open to all; and

WHEREAS, our Nation has come far in realizing Dr. King's dream, there is still work to be done. In remembering Dr. King's vision and his life of service, we take this time to renew our commitment to guaranteeing the unalienable rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness for all Americans and recognize Dr. King's legacy of courage, dignity and moral clarity; and

WHEREAS, the City of Glendale will honor the life of Dr. King on January 12, 2007 by hosting Unity Day as a time to commemorate the contributions of a diverse population that makes for a vibrant multicultural city and to celebrate the many achievements and contributions made to our economic, cultural, spiritual and political development by advocating for inclusiveness.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Elaine M. Scruggs, Mayor of the City of Glendale, Arizona, on behalf of the City Council, and myself do hereby proclaim January 12, 2007, as

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and encourage all to observe this day with actions and activities that honor the memory and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

In Witness Thereof, I hereunto set my hand this 12th of December 2006.