

SENATE RESOLUTION
8669

By Senators Fain, Ericksen, Cleveland, Brown, Angel, Rolfes, Sheldon, King, Eide, Frockt, Mullet, Padden, Bailey, Honeyford, Hill, Roach, Fraser, Kohl-Welles, Hatfield, Hobbs, Pedersen, Litzow, O'Ban, Braun, Parlette, Tom, Keiser, Ranker, Hasegawa, Chase, Conway, Darneille, McAuliffe, Nelson, Billig, and Benton

WHEREAS, Today, the third Monday in January, we remember and honor the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a beacon of hope for equality in our nation; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King revealed the realities of life for many Americans and encouraged change through nonviolent means; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King's unwavering support for the principles of racial justice and social equality changed America; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King's steadfast faith encouraged others, as exemplified in his famous "I Have a Dream" speech, in which he said, "With this faith we will be able to hew out of the mountain of despair a stone of hope"; and

WHEREAS, In his life, Dr. King called on others to make a personal commitment to serve humanity by acting with kindness and compassion to help the less fortunate; and

WHEREAS, Service is a powerful way to commemorate Dr. King and put into action our reverence for his life and teachings while making our nation better; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King believed that a person's worth should not be measured by his or her color, culture, or class, but rather by one's commitment to making life better for all;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate, on behalf of the people of the state of Washington, and in recognition of the courageous leadership and legacy of hope demonstrated by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., honor his memory by urging all citizens of our state to continue the legacy of Dr. King by treating all people as equal.

I, Hunter G. Goodman, Secretary of the Senate,
do hereby certify that this is a true and
correct copy of Senate Resolution 8669,
adopted by the Senate
January 20, 2014

HUNTER G. GOODMAN
Secretary of the Senate