By Senators Saldaña, McCoy, Becker, Schoesler, Chase, Darneille, Dhingra, Hobbs, Liias, Sheldon, Wellman, Fain, Frockt, Nelson, Hunt, Conway, Carlyle, Hasegawa, and O'Ban

WHEREAS, Today, the third Monday in January, we remember and 1 2 honor the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., who became a beacon of hope for actualizing equality in our nation; and 3 WHEREAS, 2018 marks the fifty year anniversary of Dr. King's 4 5 untimely death; and WHEREAS, Dr. King used his gift of oration to awaken America to б 7 the struggles of disenfranchised communities through nonviolent 8 means; and WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. encouraged others through his 9 dedication to achieving equality. Dr. King once said, "Life's most 10 11 persistent and urgent question is: What are you doing for others?"; 12 and 13 WHEREAS, Dr. King's unwavering support for the principles of 14 racial justice and social equality helped transform America; and 15 WHEREAS, Dr. King's steadfast pursuit of fairness encouraged others, as exemplified in his famous "Letter from Birmingham Jail," 16 in which he said, "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice 17 18 everywhere."; and 19 WHEREAS, Dr. King believed that a person's worth should be 20 measured not by his or her color, culture, or class but rather by his or her commitment to making life better for all through service 21 rendered to each other; 22

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1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate, in recognition 2 of the courageous leadership and legacy of hope demonstrated by Dr. 3 Martin Luther King Jr., honor his memory by urging all citizens of 4 our state to continue the legacy of Dr. King by treating all people 5 as equal.

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