

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2016-4649, by Representatives Chopp, Kristiansen, Appleton, Bergquist, Blake, Buys, Caldier, Chandler, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, DeBolt, Dent, Dunshee, Dye, Farrell, Fey, Fitzgibbon, Frame, Goodman, Gregerson, Griffey, Haler, Hansen, Hargrove, Harmsworth, Harris, Hawkins, Hayes, Hickel, Holy, Hudgins, G. Hunt, S. Hunt, Hurst, Jinkins, Johnson, Kagi, Kilduff, Kirby, Klippert, Kochmar, Kretz, Kuderer, Lytton, MacEwen, Magendanz, Manweller, McBride, McCabe, McCaslin, Moeller, Morris, Moscoso, Muri, Nealey, Orcutt, Ormsby, Ortiz-Self, Orwall, Parker, Peterson, Pettigrew, Pike, Pollet, Reykdal, Riccelli, Robinson, Rodne, Rossetti, Ryu, Santos, Sawyer, Schmick, Scott, Sells, Senn, Shea, Short, Smith, Springer, Stambaugh, Stanford, Stokesbary, Sullivan, Tarleton, Taylor, Tharinger, Van De Wege, Van Werven, Vick, Walkinshaw, Walsh, Wilcox, Wilson, Wylie, Young, and Zeiger

1 WHEREAS, Today, January 18, 2016, the people of the great State
2 of Washington and the nation join together to rejoice and honor the
3 life and legacy of Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; and

4 WHEREAS, Dr. King was born on January 15, 1929, in Atlanta,
5 Georgia, and on June 18, 1953, he and Coretta Scott were married in
6 Marion, Alabama; and

7 WHEREAS, Despite Dr. King's assassination on April 4, 1968, his
8 legacy of compassion and nonviolence lived on through his followers
9 and his wife, Coretta Scott King; and

10 WHEREAS, Dr. King vehemently endorsed the virtues of compassion
11 and equality and bravely shared his vision with America in our
12 nation's capital by declaring, "I have a dream that one day this
13 nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: 'We
14 hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created
15 equal'"; and

16 WHEREAS, His belief in equality and opportunity for all was not
17 restricted to the cessation of racial injustice, but also extended to
18 the necessity of economic justice for all people, so that all may
19 live free of the afflictions of poverty; and

20 WHEREAS, Dr. King propelled the truths of segregation and racial
21 injustice to the forefront of American conversation at dinner tables
22 across the country, helping to bring an end to unjust laws, and
23 fulfilling the promise of a democracy for every American; and

