

## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. devoted his life to advancing equality, social justice, and opportunity for all, and challenged all people to participate in the never-ending work of building a more perfect union; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. King believed immensely in the power of individual action and collective hope to create a brighter future; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. King's legacy includes such landmark United States Federal laws as the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Voting Rights Act of 1965, and the Fair Housing Act of 1968 and created a framework to ensure equality and advance justice in the years ahead; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. King taught us to see the commonality of our dreams, our hopes and our fears - the threads, truths and dignity that bind us together as human beings; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. King believed that "the arc of the moral universe is long, but it bends towards justice" – and that it requires all hands and all hearts to keep its course straight and true; and


**WHEREAS**, we recognize the need to model Dr. Martin Luther King's pursuit of unity, equity and justice to prevent all forms of discrimination including systemic racism.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved, that the City of Cedarburg, does hereby proclaim the third Monday of the month of January, as

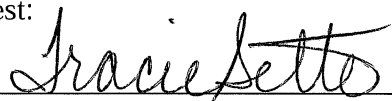
Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY

a day to seek inspiration for personal action by honoring the great legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and by observing this United States Federal Holiday to CELEBRATE, EDUCATE, ADVOCATE, and SERVE.

Dated this 9th day of January 2023.

  
Michael J. O'Keefe, Mayor

Attest:

  
Tracie Sette, City Clerk