

SENATE RESOLUTION

8660

By Senators Saldaña, Darneille, Billig, Brown, Salomon, Lias, Randall, Schoesler, Wilson, C., Takko, Sheldon, Stanford, Hobbs, Van De Wege, Conway, Hasegawa, Braun, Warnick, Hawkins, Rivers, Short, Cleveland, Das, Hunt, Frockt, Mullet, Carlyle, McCoy, Kuderer, Wellman, Nguyen, Rolfes, Lovelett, Becker, Dhingra, Ericksen, Fortunato, Holy, Honeyford, Keiser, King, Muzzall, O'Ban, Padden, Pedersen, Wagoner, Walsh, Wilson, L., and Zeiger

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

4 WHEREAS, 2020 marks the fifty-second anniversary of Dr. King's
5 untimely death; and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. King used his gift of oration to awaken America to
7 the struggles of disenfranchised communities, particularly African
8 Americans, through nonviolent means; and

9 WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. encouraged others through
10 his dedication to achieving equality. Dr. King once said, "Life's
11 most persistent and urgent question is: What are you doing for
12 others?"; 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
16 others, as exemplified in his famous "Letter from Birmingham Jail,"
17 in which he said, "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice
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
21 or her commitment to making life better for all through service
22 rendered to each other;

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate, in
2 recognition of the courageous leadership and legacy of hope
3 demonstrated by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., honor his memory by
4 urging all citizens of our state to continue the legacy of Dr.
5 King by condemning racism in all its forms and advancing a more
6 perfect union where all people experience fair treatment under
7 our laws.

8 I, Brad Hendrickson, Secretary of the Senate,
9 do hereby certify that this is a true and
10 correct copy of Senate Resolution 8660,
11 adopted by the Senate
12 January 20, 2020

13 BRAD HENDRICKSON
14 Secretary of the Senate