

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY AND BEYOND

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

WHEREAS, Dr. King's teachings can continue to guide and inspire us in addressing challenges in our communities; and

WHEREAS, the King Holiday and Service Act, enacted in 1994 by United States Congress and initiated by his devoted wife, Coretta Scott King to be designated the King Holiday as a national day of volunteer service; and

WHEREAS, since 1994 millions of Americans have been inspired by the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. to serve their neighbors and communities on the King Holiday; and

WHEREAS, serving on the King Holiday is an appropriate way to honor Dr. King, meet local, state, and national needs, and brings our citizens together, and strengthen our communities, and nation; and

WHEREAS, Freddye Davis, President, Hayward South Alameda County of the NAACP and its members shall be recognized for their ongoing commitment to service by organizing voter registration drives, providing Youth Leadership and scholarship programs, serving on the Fremont Police Advisory Board, and collaborating with the Fremont Police Department for over 25 years and working tirelessly to stand for social justice and equality.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Fremont recognizes the attention to community service, equality, and social justice of Dr. King and therefore proclaims that Martin Luther King Jr. Day 2022 on January 17, 2022 as a Day of Service and recognition of equity and social justice for the Fremont community, and call upon the people of the community to pay tribute to the life and works of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. through participation in community service projects on Martin Luther King Day and throughout the year.