

RESOLUTION NO. 271

WHEREAS, the successes achieved through the Civil Rights Movement during the past decade have significantly improved the condition of civil and human rights for all citizens and especially for minorities in America; and

WHEREAS, much of the success of the Movement can be directly attributed to the dedicated and inspired leadership provided by the late Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alexandria wishes to designate a period of time in commemoration of the contributions of Dr. King in the fields of peace and human rights; and

WHEREAS, the Alexandria Public School System has planned a program of activities regarding the Civil Rights Movement and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., in observance of Dr. King's birthday on January 15th.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE City Council of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, that the week of January 13-19, 1974, be set aside in memorial observance of the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

FURTHER RESOLVED that all persons are encouraged to participate in planned activities on Dr. King's birthday on January 15, 1974.

FURTHER RESOLVED that this commemoration of Dr. Martin Luther King's birthday shall be an annual observance to serve as a reminder and an opportunity for recommitment by all persons to the goals sought by Dr. King in the field of civil and human rights and peace.

FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and that copies of this resolution be published in the two local newspapers during the week prior to January 15th each year.

Adopted December 26, 1973

Mrs. Helen Vickers, Clerk of the
City of Alexandria, Virginia