



PROCLAMATION

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY OF SERVICE

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. devoted his life to the advancement of civil rights and public service. He believed in a nation of freedom and justice for all, and challenged all citizens to help build a more perfect union and live up to the purpose and potential of America; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King recognized that everyone can be great because everyone can serve, and during his lifetime encouraged all Americans to serve their neighbors and their communities; and

WHEREAS, in 1994, Congress initiated the King Day of Service, a nationwide effort to transform the federal holiday honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. into a day of community service, grounded in Dr. King's teachings, that helps solve social problems while focusing on bringing people together and breaking down the barriers that have divided us as a nation; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of thousands of volunteers in cities and towns across the nation participate in King Day service projects, in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Guam, and Puerto Rico; and

WHEREAS, the King Day of Service, which falls on Monday, January 17th this year, is a time for the people of Vermillion to recognize Dr. King's teachings on advancing equality and opportunity for all by contributing their own time and talents in a day of service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED we, the governing body of the City of Vermillion, South Dakota, do hereby proclaim January 17, 2022, as

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and encourage our citizens to honor the memory of Dr. King, to put his teachings into action by participating in the MLK Day of Service.

Dated at Vermillion, South Dakota this 3rd day of January, 2022.

FOR THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE
CITY OF VERMILLION, SOUTH DAKOTA

By Kelsey Collier-Wise
Kelsey Collier-Wise, Mayor

ATTEST:

By Katie E. Redden
Katie E. Redden, Finance Officer

