

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. is remembered for dedicating his life to an unyielding faith and passion for justice and racial harmony, and a strong commitment to his belief of freedom, equality and justice for all; and

WHEREAS, from 1957 to 1968, Dr. King traveled more than six million miles and spoke over 2,500 times, wherever and whenever there was injustice, protest, and inaction. Dr. King wrote numerous books and articles to promote his teachings, and directed the peaceful march on Washington, D.C. where he delivered his "I Have a Dream" speech; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King endured imprisonment and adversity to achieve change that would alter the course of history with his leadership and practice of non-violence, which continues to inspire this nation and the world to reaffirm the importance of education as the foundation to end prejudice and discrimination; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King's accomplishments as a clergyman, Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, author and advocate for securing the enactment of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, the 1965 Voting Rights Act, and the 1968 Fair Housing Act, emphasize the principles of equality as a cornerstone of our democracy; and

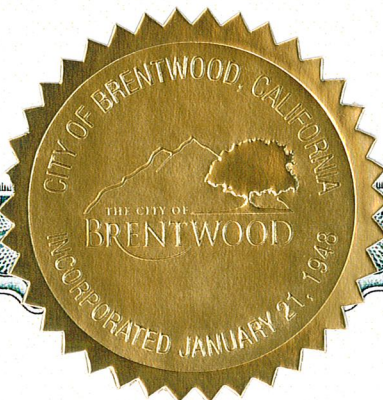
WHEREAS, we honor his legacy in observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday, and we encourage all to observe this holiday by acts and deeds of service within the community.

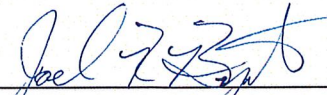
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the City Council of the City of Brentwood does hereby recognize January 15, 2024, as

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

and invites residents to join us in honoring the life and legacy of Dr. King's exemplary achievements.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2024




Joel R. Bryant, Mayor