

WHEREAS, the third Monday in January is recognized as a National Holiday in memory and recognition of the life, deeds and principles espoused by Dr. Martin Juther King, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Juther King, Jr. devoted his life to the fight for the full rights of citizenship for the poor and the racially oppressed, all the while exhibiting courage and moral presence; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King's quest cost him his life in Memphis, Tennessee on April 4, 1968; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gainesville will honor Dr. King's deeds and dreams by holding several special events during King Celebration January 10-18, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Highway 441 in Alachua County has been renamed the Martin Juther King, Jr. Highway by House Bill 230, Chapter Jaw 88-419; and

WHEREAS, a commemorative march will be held on Monday, January 18, 2016, followed that same day by a program honoring Dr. King.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edward B. Braddy, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim January 10-18, 2016 as

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in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in participating in the many activities which will be held in honor of Dr. Martin Juther King, Jr.

AN WHONESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 18th day of December, A.D., 2015.

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Mayor