

# City of Commerce City, Colorado



## Proclamation



*WHEREAS, Reverend Doctor Martin Luther King, Jr.'s tireless efforts for social change through nonviolence has had a revolutionary impact on the Country and has paved the way for those today who have continued his noble work; and,*

*WHEREAS, we celebrate Doctor King's birth on Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 to honor his legacy as a social justice advocate and a warrior of peace who called upon our nation to ensure equality for all under the law, upholding the Country's founding principles which recognize each individual's rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; and,*

*WHEREAS, through living his core values of truth, justice, compassion, brotherhood, service leadership, courage, and love, Dr. King led a movement for which the struggle for equality and equity is still fought today; and,*

*WHEREAS, in Commerce City and other communities alike, we will join the Country in recognizing Dr. King's life and legacy not just by honoring his memory but also by empowering and joining those who continue to fight for equal opportunity under the law and equitable treatment regardless of the color of our skin; and,*

*WHEREAS, we can all take part in carrying out Dr. King's legacy of justice and acceptance by carrying the torch of love to light the way for our brothers and sisters of diverse backgrounds in our community and throughout the country.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of Commerce City recognizes January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 as Reverend Doctor Martin Luther King, Jr. Day and joins with the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Commission in encouraging all in our community to honor Dr. King's memory by continuing to fight for justice and peace.*



In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal to be affixed on the Nineteenth day of December 2022.

CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO

Benjamin A. Huseman, Mayor