City of Lafayette

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was born, January 15, 1929, and lived his life promoting peace, freedom, equality, and justice for all through non-violent means, becoming one of the outstanding civil rights leaders of our time; and

WHEREAS, King inspired millions of Americans to participate in non-violent protest to support the ideals of equality for all and was a motivating force behind a civil rights movement that had as its goal the creation of a society tolerant of all races, cultures and nationalities; and

WHEREAS, the celebration of Dr. King's birthday is intended as a time for all Americans to reaffirm their commitment to the basic principles that underlie our Constitution – equality and justice for all; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King said, "Everybody can be great, because everybody can serve." As we honor and celebrate his extraordinary life, we remain committed to promoting equality and freedom through service to our communities; and

WHEREAS, both state and national observances of his life will focus on the importance of individual volunteerism and a commitment to community service as a way to break down social and economic barriers and to bring people together to focus on their common concerns and interests;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Lafayette formally recognizes Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. for his commitment to human rights and his work to improve the quality of life for all members of society.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 15th DAY JANUARY, 2013.

CITY OF LAFAYETTE, COLORADO

By, _____
Carolyn D. Cutler, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Susan Koster, CMC
City Clerk