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RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING JANUARY 16, 2023, AS DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY IN ROWAN COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was the leading civil rights advocate of his time, spearheading the civil rights movement in the United States during the 1950s and 1960s, earning worldwide recognition as an eloquent and articulate spokesperson for equality; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. devoted his life to advancing social justice, affirming human rights, and unifying the community, which continues to inspire millions of North Carolinians to help others in their communities; and

WHEREAS, in 1983, the United States Congress designated Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday as a Federal holiday, and in 1994, designated the holiday as a National Day of Service; and

WHEREAS, Rowan County residents are encouraged to volunteer during the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service, and work together to build their communities into places of justice, peace, and equality; and

WHEREAS, recognizing Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day allows us all to reflect on the ongoing need to embrace those principles essential to Dr. King's message: loving our neighbors, ending poverty, creating equitable economic opportunities, and taking nonviolent, direct action against hatred, racism, and oppression of any kind.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rowan County Board of Commissioners does hereby name January 16, 2023, as Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day in Rowan County, and encourages all residents to celebrate Dr. King as a civil rights leader by honoring his life and legacy through the promotion of justice, peace, service, and community engagement.

This the 17th day of January, 2023.

Gregory C. Edds, Chairman

ATTEST:

Sarah Pack, Clerk to the Board

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