

# CITY OF LAKEWOOD



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, Monday, January 16, 2023, is designated as a federal holiday celebrating the birth of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. who dedicated his life to the fundamental principles of freedom, opportunity, and equal justice to all; and

**WHEREAS**, such recognition is a direct result of his many contributions to society through his deeds and words; and

**WHEREAS**, through his march on Washington and the "I Have a Dream" speech, Dr. King reached a world-wide audience and was recognized by people from all walks of life as the conscience of an entire nation; and

**WHEREAS**, all Americans are reminded that our nation recognizes that all men are created equal and should be judged not by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Lakewood is committed to the ideals of a free society and is a community of great cultural diversity which it values and celebrates, and is dedicated to the fraternity and community of all people; and

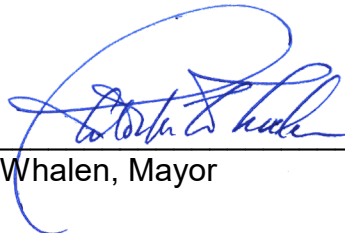
**WHEREAS**, the City of Lakewood will again honor the distinguished legacy of Dr. King with videos that will be released starting on January 6, 2023 highlighting the theme that **everybody can be great because everybody can serve**.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Lakewood City Council hereby proclaims Monday, January 16, 2023 as the

## ***MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY OF SERVICE***

in the City of Lakewood and invites all residents to join us in this observance.

PROCLAIMED this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2023.

  
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Jason Whalen, Mayor