

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, January 15, 2015, marks the 86th anniversary of the  
2 birth of the great civil rights leader and humanitarian Dr. Martin  
3 Luther King Jr.; and

4           WHEREAS, Dr. King joined the NAACP at an early age, and by  
5 1954 he held a seat on the organization's executive committee; he  
6 rose to national prominence in 1955-1956, when he served as a  
7 spiritual and moral leader of the historic bus boycott in  
8 Montgomery, Alabama; a watershed event, the boycott led to the  
9 banning of segregation in local and interstate travel in the United  
10 States and simultaneously helped to launch the civil rights  
11 movement; and

12           WHEREAS, In 1957, Dr. King and a number of other ministers  
13 founded the Southern Christian Leadership Conference; a leading  
14 civil rights organization, the SCLC coordinated mass protest  
15 campaigns and voter registration drives across the South; and

16           WHEREAS, Dr. King served as president of the SCLC from its  
17 inception until his death on April 4, 1968; during those tumultuous  
18 years, he wrote five books and numerous articles, traveled more  
19 than six million miles, and spoke at over 2,500 events; frequently  
20 jailed for peaceful protest, he endured numerous personal threats  
21 and attacks over the course of his career; and

22           WHEREAS, In recognition of his immeasurable influence and  
23 moral stature, *Time* magazine named Dr. King its Man of the Year in  
24 1963, and in 1964, at the age of 35, he was awarded the Nobel Prize

1 for Peace; he donated the money that accompanied the prize, more  
2 than \$54,000, to further the civil rights movement; and

3 WHEREAS, The birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., often  
4 called "Martin Luther King Day," became a federal holiday when  
5 President Ronald Reagan signed historic legislation in 1983, and  
6 the holiday was formally observed for the first time on January 20,  
7 1986; and

8 WHEREAS, Through his courageous, unflinching pursuit of  
9 social and economic justice, Dr. King helped to shatter a deeply  
10 entrenched system of second-class citizenship and bring to further  
11 fruition, here in this country and across the globe, the liberating  
12 ideals of freedom, equality, and human dignity; now, therefore, be  
13 it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas  
15 Legislature hereby honor the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and  
16 call on all Texans to join in carrying forward his dream of a more  
17 just, tolerant, and inclusive society.

Giddings  
Miles  
Turner of Harris  
Turner of Collin  
Krause

Straus	Guillen	Otto
Allen	Gutierrez	Paddie
Alonzo	Harless	Parker
Alvarado	Hernandez	Paul
Anchia	Herrero	Peña
Anderson of Dallas	Howard	Phelan
Anderson of McLennan	Huberty	Phillips
Ashby	Hughes	Pickett
Aycock	Hunter	Price
Bell	Isaac	Raney
Blanco	Israel	Raymond
Bohac	Johnson	Reynolds
Bonnen of Brazoria	Kacal	Riddle
Bonnen of Galveston	Keffer	Rinaldi
Burkett	Keough	Rodriguez of Bexar
Burns	King of Hemphill	Rodriguez of Travis
Burrows	King of Parker	Romero, Jr.
Button	King of Taylor	Rose
Canales	King of Uvalde	Sanford
Capriglione	Kleinschmidt	Schaefer
Clardy	Klick	Schofield
Coleman	Koop	Shaheen
Collier	Krause	Sheets
Cook	Kuempel	Sheffield
Craddick	Landgraf	Simmons
Crownover	Larson	Simpson
Dale	Laubenberg	Smith
Darby	Leach	Smithee
Davis of Dallas	Longoria	Spitzer
Davis of Harris	Lozano	Springer
Deshotel	Lucio III	Stephenson
Dukes	Márquez	Stickland
Dutton	Martinez	Thompson of Brazoria
Elkins	Martinez Fischer	Thompson of Harris
Faircloth	McClendon	Tinderholt
Fallon	Menéndez	Turner of Collin
Farias	Metcalf	Turner of Harris
Farney	Meyer	Turner of Tarrant
Farrar	Miles	VanDeaver
Fletcher	Miller of Comal	Villalba
Flynn	Miller of Fort Bend	Vo
Frank	Moody	Walle
Frullo	Morrison	White of Bell
Galindo	Muñoz, Jr.	White of Tyler
Geren	Murphy	Workman
Giddings	Murr	Wray
Goldman	Naishtat	Wu
Gonzales	Nevárez	Zedler
González	Oliveira	Zerwas
Guerra		

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Speaker of the House

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Chief Clerk of the House