## 1 CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO RESOLUTION NO. 2007- 120 2 3 INTRODUCED BY: 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 A RESOLUTION 11 CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. AND 12 COMMEMORATING THE 40TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF HIS DEATH. 13 14 WHEREAS, the City of Santa Fe is proud of its cultural and historical significance 15 among North American communities; and 16 WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. inspired millions of Americans to participate in 17 non-violent action to support the ideals of equity for all and was a motivating force behind the 18 civil rights movement; and 19 WHEREAS, the celebration of Dr. King's life and accomplishments provides 20 opportunity for all Americans to reaffirm their commitment to the basic principles that underlie 21 our Constitution; and 22 WHEREAS, Dr. King was committed to a society that embraced the richness and 23 diversity of all ethnic and racial groups as part of our heritage; and 24 WHEREAS, the ideals and principles of Dr. King, peace, non-violence, and social 25 justice are worthy of reflection; and

WHEREAS, the celebration of Dr. King's life and accomplishments has been observed each year in the City of Santa Fe since 1991 when the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday was first officially observed by the State of New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Fe adopted Resolution No. 2007-64 which dedicated a City park in honor of the life of Dr. King; and

WHEREAS, in order to honor the spirit and life of Dr. King, the Santa Fe branch of the NAACP has taken the lead, together with the Santa Fe Community College, to sponsor and promote an essay writing and a poster contest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE that the Governing Body hereby declares that the life of Martin Luther King, Jr. is a person whose ideals and principles have contributed to the history and cultural significance of the City of Santa Fe.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governing Body hereby endorses the efforts of the Santa Fe branch of the NAACP and the Santa Fe Community College in honoring the life of Dr. King and commemorating the 40<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of Dr. King's passing.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 12th day of December

DAVID COSS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

FRANK Q. KATZ, CITY ATTORNEY

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