PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. holiday was signed into law in January 1983 by President Ronald Reagan, it is incumbent upon us the citizens of Great Falls to continue to celebrate the immeasurable contributions of Dr. King whose life socially impacted mankind both in the United States, and globally; and
- **WHEREAS**, the MLK holiday serves as a time of unifying the collective body of the Great Falls community in celebrating our 21st century efforts to cultivate an environment within our city where "Hate Has No Home Here"; and
- **WHEREAS**, this celebration in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. continues to shine the light of justice upon the city of Great Falls that this is a community where every citizen is free to live out "The Dream" in their heart that awakens our call to serve humanity.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CORY REEVES, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF GREAT FALLS, do hereby proclaim January 20, 2025 as

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY

in the City of Great Falls, and urge all citizens to posthumously pay tribute to Pastor Phillip Caldwell of the Mount Olive Christian Fellowship and the many African American pioneers who paved the way for this celebration in Great Falls.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City to be affixed this 20th day of January, 2025.

Cory Reeves, Mayor