

## **Proclamation**

### *Mayor's Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission Day*

**WHEREAS,** January 16, 2017, was the national holiday to observe the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., one of America's greatest visionary leaders who peacefully created civil rights reform in our nation through non-violent means; and

**WHEREAS,** Dr. King devoted his life to the struggle for justice and equality for people of all races, colors and ethnicities; and

**WHEREAS,** since 1994, the Mayor's Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission, an appointed advisory board, has worked diligently to promote Dr. King's legacy of equality, justice, peace, respect and inclusion for all in Metro Orlando; and

**WHEREAS,** each year, the Mayor's MLK Commission raises funds and works with community and business leaders, along with non-profits, to coordinate and sponsor meaningful events and service projects throughout the community; and

**WHEREAS,** the Mayor's MLK Commission has provided academic scholarships to high school students, organized service projects, beautified parks and neighborhoods and made improvements to schools; and

**WHEREAS,** the City of Orlando celebrated Dr. King's legacy, through the Mayor's MLK Commission's dedicated efforts to produce and support more than a dozen community events for the residents of Metro Orlando;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, BUDDY DYER,** Mayor of the City of Orlando, hereby do proclaim January 23, 2017, as

**“Mayor's Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission Day”**

in the City of Orlando.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Orlando to be affixed this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January 2017.