

**SNOHOMISH COUNTY  
WASHINGTON**



**PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, during his lifetime, the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was recognized with one of the highest honors bestowed on any individual, the Nobel Peace Prize; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. King persevered in the fight to secure equal rights for people denied this right solely on the basis of the color of their skin; and

**WHEREAS**, he gave his life in pursuit of peace and equality; and

**WHEREAS**, generations of Americans and millions of people throughout the world continue to use Dr. King's words and deeds to create a better world for all; and

**WHEREAS**, the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. is honored and remembered as part of our national heritage through special events, historical retrospectives and personal remembrances; and

**WHEREAS**, since 2001 Snohomish County, in partnership with the City of Everett, YMCA of Snohomish County and United Way of Snohomish County, has come together to organize an annual community celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and the change he continues to bring to America; and

**WHEREAS**, the Interfaith Association of Northwest Washington will co-sponsor the Greater Everett Community's celebration hosted by First United Methodist Church on January 16, 2011, featuring Carl Gipson.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Aaron G. Reardon, Snohomish County Executive, do hereby call upon the citizens of Snohomish County to join together in celebration of the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Jan. 17, 2011; and to remember the courageous champion of peace and influential civil rights leader who waged a fight without violence and brought hope into the hearts of millions of people around the world; and do hereby proclaim Jan. 10–17, 2011

**Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Days  
in Snohomish County**

signed this 10th day of January 2011.

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Aaron G. Reardon  
County Executive