

CITY OF LACEY
OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION

Whereas, the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. dedicated his life to the non-violent crusade for human rights for all people; and

Whereas, Dr. King always led by example and embraced the belief that a first class nation cannot have second class citizens; and

Whereas, although Dr. King's life was struck down by a bullet of bigotry on April 4, 1968, his dream of pursuing a world free from prejudice and injustice lives on; and

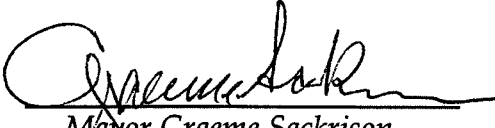
Whereas, the City of Lacey takes pride in being the first city in the State to join the Federal Government and the State of Washington in designating an official holiday for Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; and

Whereas, a coalition of Thurston County organizations has planned a tribute in honor of Dr. King for January 20, 2003;

Therefore, I, Graeme Sackrison, Mayor of the City of Lacey, on behalf of the Lacey City Council, do hereby proclaim January 20, 2003, as

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

in the City of Lacey and we urge all citizens to take this opportunity to reflect upon Dr. King's message and to join me in rededicating ourselves to the principles of justice and equality for all.


Mayor Graeme Sackrison
January 9, 2003

