



City of Auburn **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. devoted his life to advancing equality, social justice, and opportunity for all, and challenged all Americans to participate in the never-ending work of building a more perfect union; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King's teachings can continue to guide and inspire us in addressing challenges in our communities; and

WHEREAS, the King Holiday and Service Act, enacted in 1994, designated the King Holiday as a National Day of Volunteer service, and charged the Corporation for National and Community Service with leading this effort; and

WHEREAS, since 1994, millions of Americans have been inspired by the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. to serve their neighbors and communities on the King Holiday; and

WHEREAS, serving on the King Holiday is an appropriate way to honor Dr. King. Through service we can build more equitable and just communities to underpin racial equity, expand civic opportunities, and foster respect for individual differences; and

WHEREAS, the King Day of Service theme this year is *"Shifting the Cultural Climate through the Study and Practice of Kingian Nonviolence"*. This theme defines the 2024 King Holiday Observance events and programming while serving as a compass for all the work we will do this upcoming calendar year and beyond. The pioneering work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. demonstrated that Kingian Nonviolence (Nonviolence365™) is the sustainable solution to injustice and violence in our world, ultimately leading to the creation of the Beloved Community, where injustice ceases and love prevails.; and

WHEREAS, each of us can and must contribute, support, and implement projects that increase economic opportunities, improve education, support veterans and military families, help combat the opioid crisis, and help communities prepare for and recover from disasters.

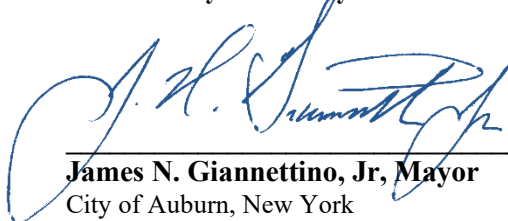
WHEREAS, citizens of the City of Auburn have the opportunity to participate in events throughout our city on the MLK Day of Service, January 15, 2024, as well as create and implement community service projects where they identify the need; City Council and the citizens of Auburn, do hereby proclaim January 15, 2024, as a Day of Service in honor of

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

in the City of Auburn, and call upon the people of this community to pay tribute to the life and works of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. through civic, community & service projects on Martin Luther King Day and throughout the year.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Auburn to be affixed this Eleventh Day of January 2024.




James N. Giannettino, Jr, Mayor
City of Auburn, New York