

WHEREAS, Americans have worked since the founding of our nation to create a country full of opportunity, where anyone with enough fortitude and spirit can rise to achievement, regardless of race, religion, or creed; and

WHEREAS, those high aspirations require constant work and vigilance. The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. dedicated his life to these ideals and throughout his life strived to make the United States inclusive and prosperous for Americans from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, today we celebrate the never-ending work for which Dr. King and countless other leaders fought so bravely. On this day, we hope to fulfill his vision of a country devoted to rejecting bigotry in all its forms and to embracing diversity at every opportunity.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Chairman David Dennis, and the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim January 21, 2019, as

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

in recognition of Dr. King's service to his country and his mission to create a world where people are judged not by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character.

January 16, 2019