



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was born January 15,  
3 1929, in Atlanta, Georgia; and

4 WHEREAS, Throughout his life, he worked to ensure that all  
5 people were given the opportunity to follow their dreams,  
6 regardless of their race or station in life; and

7 WHEREAS, Dr. King won the Nobel Peace Prize on December 10,  
8 1964, in response to his diligent efforts to racially integrate  
9 the nation through peaceful means; and

10 WHEREAS, School children continue to learn from Dr. King as  
11 they read and study his "I Have A Dream" speech that was given  
12 during the March on Washington on August 28, 1963; and

13 WHEREAS, Dr. King's aspirations for a color blind society  
14 detailed in that speech inspire all citizens to live together  
15 with mutual respect and understanding; and

16 WHEREAS, Leaders look to the example that Dr. King  
17 established when evaluating what can be done to improve human  
18 rights here and abroad; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
20 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
21 commemorate the 75th birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on  
22 January 15, 2004, in the State of Illinois; and be it further

23 RESOLVED, That the State of Illinois joins the nation in  
24 celebrating the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on January  
25 19, 2004.