

**RESOLUTION
OF THE
CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS**

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HONORING

The 2012 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Essay Contest Winners

Whereas, the Minneapolis Commission on Civil Rights was established in 1975 to implement Civil Rights policies through public information, education, mediation, conciliation and adjudication; and

Whereas, the Commission provides leadership in the areas of civil rights and carries forward the policies of the City through the prevention and elimination of bias and discrimination; and

Whereas, the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. believed that liberty, justice and freedom were the 'inalienable rights' of all men, women and children, and that all people were equal in the sight of God and deserving of dignity and self-worth; and

Whereas, the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., a recipient of the Nobel Prize, became a national hero whose birthday has been declared a national holiday by his nation's government; and

Whereas, Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. inspired people and nations world-wide to strive in non-violent manners for the human rights, civil liberties, and economic guarantees rightfully due people of all races; and

Whereas, the Minneapolis Commission on Civil rights established the Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Essay Contest in 2005 as an opportunity to continue and renew this endeavor through education; and

Whereas, all sixth, seventh and eighth grade students who reside in Minneapolis were eligible to participate by submitting one essay with their answers to this topic: "**Compare and contrast the human rights that young people of your age in your community might take for granted that may not be as readily available to young people in other areas of the United States and around the world;**" and

Whereas, the Minneapolis Commission on Civil Rights selected the following prize winners from each grade level:

8th Grade:

1st place – Conlan Olson – Anthony Middle School
2nd place – Kulle Basha – Anne Sullivan School
3rd place – Virginia Rendler – Anthony Middle School

7th Grade:

1st place – Giselle Durand – Anthony Middle School
2nd place – Emily Van Ryn – Anthony Middle School
3rd Place – Fartun Hassan – Anne Sullivan School

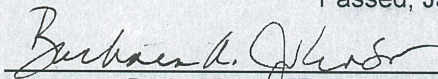
6th Grade:

1st place – Shukri Isse – Learning for Leadership
2nd place – Naimo Hussein – Learning for Leadership
3rd place – Saabiriin Mohamed – Learning for Leadership

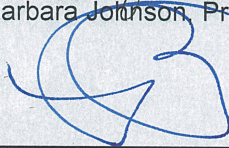
**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved
By The City Council of The City of Minneapolis:**

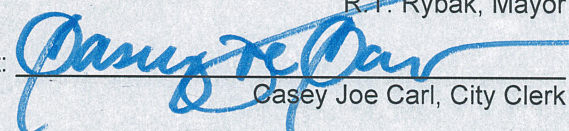
That the Minneapolis City Council honors and appreciates all of those students who participated in the 2012 Martin Luther King, Jr. Essay Contest, and gives special recognition to those who won 1st, 2nd and 3rd places.

Passed, January 27, 2012


Barbara Johnson, President of the Council

Approved:


R.T. Rybak, Mayor

Attest: 
Casey Joe Carl, City Clerk

