



# *Proclamation*

*Mayor Shaundel*

*City of La Crosse*

**WHEREAS**, January 19, 2026 marks the national observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day, recognized across the United States as a National Day of Service and civic responsibility; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. dedicated his life to advancing justice, equality, and civil rights, calling our nation to confront injustice through courage, compassion, nonviolence, and collective action; and

**WHEREAS**, the King Holiday and Service Act of 1994 affirmed that honoring Dr. King's legacy requires service to others and meaningful engagement within our communities; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. King's legacy continues to inspire individuals, organizations, and institutions to strengthen communities through education, service, advocacy, and leadership; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of La Crosse acknowledges both the progress made and the work that remains to ensure dignity, opportunity, and fairness for all who call this community home; and

**WHEREAS**, Martin Luther King Jr. Day calls us not only to reflect on history, but to actively participate in shaping a more just and inclusive future;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, SHAUNDEL WASHINGTON-SPIVEY, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LA CROSSE**, do hereby proclaim January 19, 2026, as

## **“MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY”**

in the City of La Crosse and call upon all residents to honor this day through service, learning, leadership, and sustained community engagement that advances the values Dr. King championed.

Dated on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of January in the year Two Thousand Twenty-Six.



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**MAYOR SHAUNDEL**