



WHEREAS, December 10, 2013 will mark the 65th anniversary of the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Rockville has deemed supporting, enforcing and promoting human rights to be a vital and critical role of government through its Human Rights Commission, the members of which are appointed by the Mayor and Council; and,

WHEREAS, the Human Rights Commission is charged with improving human rights for the residents of the City of Rockville and promoting tolerance, diversity and cultural awareness; and,

WHEREAS, the Human Rights Commission fulfills these responsibilities by sponsoring the City's annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Celebration, hosting educational forums on human rights issues, holding a diversity leadership workshop for youth, conducting voter registration, and sponsoring an essay and multimedia contest for youth.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor and Council do hereby proclaim December 10, 2013 as "Human Rights Day in Rockville" and encourage Rockville residents to appreciate the importance of human rights both locally and globally, educate themselves on human rights issues, and advocate for those whose human rights are violated.

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