WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. devoted his life to advancing equality, social justice, and opportunity for all, and challenged all Americans to participate in the never-ending work of building a more perfect union; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King’s teachings can continue to guide and inspire us in addressing challenges in our communities; and

WHEREAS, the King Holiday and Service Act, enacted in 1994, designated the King Holiday as a national day of volunteer service; and

WHEREAS, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights empowers us all. The principles enshrined in the Declaration are as relevant today as they were in 1948; and

WHEREAS, since 1994 millions of Americans have been inspired by the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. to serve their neighbors and communities on the King Holiday; and

WHEREAS, serving on the King Holiday is an appropriate way to honor Dr. King, meet local and national needs, bring our citizens together, and strengthen our communities and nation; and

WHEREAS, the King Day of Service is the only federal holiday commemorated as a national day of service, and offers an opportunity for Americans to give back to their communities on the holiday and make an ongoing commitment to service throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, each of us can and must contribute to making our communities better with increased opportunity for all our citizens, and

WHEREAS, members of the Ohlone Community College District have the opportunity to participate in events throughout our region on the King Day of Service, January 18, 2021, as well as create and implement community service projects where they identify the need;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Ohlone Community College District, recognize the attention to service, equality and social justice of Dr. King and therefore proclaim that Martin Luther King Jr. Day 2021 as a Day of Service and recognition of equity and social justice for the Ohlone community, and call upon the people of the community to pay tribute to the life and works of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. through participation in community service projects on Martin Luther King Day and throughout the year.

PASSED AND ADOPTED ON THIS 13th day of January, 2021.

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Secretary of the Board of Trustees
Ohlone Community College District
County of Alameda, State of California