

MLK Unity Parade

July 18, 1992

1 P.M.

City of Seattle - Office of the Mayor

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Seattle is a beautiful mosaic of diverse people, each bringing a distinct cultural heritage that adds to the richness of our city; and

WHEREAS, the work, ideals and words of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. exemplify the perfect model of unity and working together; and

WHEREAS, the Medium Newspaper and Seattle's African American community have banded together to urge unity and working together; and

WHEREAS, the Martin Luther King, Jr. African American Community Unity Parade is a wonderful express of solidarity between people of all walks of life and provides fun and entertainment for all ages;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NORMAN B. RICE, Mayor of the City of Seattle, do hereby proclaim July 18, 1992, to be

UNITY DAY

in Seattle and encourage all citizens to come out and enjoy the parade and recommit to working, living and playing together in harmony and cooperation.

Norman B. Rice
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Mayor



The Black National Anthem

BLACK NATIONAL ANTHEM

Lift ev-ry voice and sing, till earth and heav-en ring,
Ring with the har-mo-nies of lib-er-ty; Let our re-joic-ing rise, high as the lis-t'ning skies, let it re-sound loud as the roll-ing sea.

Sing a song full of faith that the dark past has taught us, sing a song full of the hope that the pres-ent has brought us; Facing the rising sun of our new day be-gun, let us march on till vic-to-ry is won.

Stoney the road we trod, bit-ter the chast'ning rod,
felt in the days when hope un-born had died; Yet with a stead-y beat, have not our wea-ry feet, come to the place for which our fa-thers sighed? We have come o-ver away that with tear has been wa-tered, we have come, treading our path thro' the blood of the slaugh-tered, out from the gloom-y past, till now we stand at last where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our wea-ry years, God of our si-lent tears, thou who hast brought us thus far on the way, thou who hast by thy might, led us in-to the light, keep us for-ev-er in the path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee, lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we for-get thee, shadowed be-neath thy hand, may we for-ev-er stand, true to our God, true to our na-tive land.

Office of the County Executive King County, Washington



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the people of the African American community annually set aside the week of July 18, to celebrate unity with several events scheduled around the city, including an impressive parade; and

WHEREAS, July 18, is the fifth annual Martin Luther King Unity Parade in the African American community; and

WHEREAS, the African American heritage, culture, and ethnic background add to the diversity of this area and has contributed much to the economic, cultural, and social vitality of King County; and

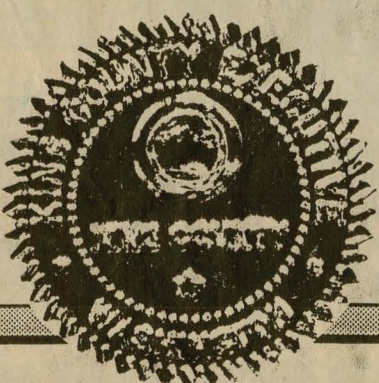
WHEREAS, that great leader from South Africa, Nelson Mandela, will celebrate his 74th birthday on July 18; and

WHEREAS, African Americans have had a tremendous influence in the development of King County's own heritage;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Tim Hill, King County Executive, proclaim July 18, 1992, as

AFRICAN AMERICAN UNITY DAY

in King County and encourage all citizens to support and enjoy the parade and festivities in celebration of this significant day.



Tim Hill

Tim Hill
King County Executive

The State of Washington



Proclamation

WHEREAS, the citizens of the state of Washington join together in celebration and unity to observe the birthday of the great leader Nelson Mandela and other African-Americans who have worked toward equality for all people; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this day is to bring all Washingtonians together in a celebration of diversity; and

WHEREAS, in honor and recognition of the exemplary service and vision Dr. King set, the city of Seattle will highlight its celebration with a Martin Luther King, Jr. Unity Parade;

WHEREAS, the great civil rights leader, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., worked for justice for all people and envisioned a world free of racial, social, economic, political, and religious barriers; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Booth Gardner, Governor of the State of Washington, do hereby proclaim July 18, 1992, as

Unity Day

in the State of Washington, and I urge all citizens to join me in this celebration and take time to reflect upon the important contributions that African-Americans have made to our community.

Signed, this 14th day of July, 1992,

Booth Gardner
Governor Booth Gardner

