

1 WHEREAS, Memphis, Tennessee, was the unfortunate site of a deeply national
2 tragedy, the assassination of Dr. King on April 4, 1968, one day after his "I've Been to the
3 Mountaintop" speech at Mason Temple Church that moved the hearts and souls of all who
4 heard it; Dr. King was in Memphis to support a nonviolent strike by sanitation workers
5 following the deaths of two black employees, Echol Cole and Robert Walker, in a
6 malfunctioning city garbage truck; and

7 WHEREAS, MLK50: Memphis Remembers, a celebration of the life of Dr. Martin
8 Luther King, Jr., was organized by citizens in the community of Memphis and will take
9 place on Tuesday, April 4, 2018, the fifty-year anniversary of his death; and

10 WHEREAS, Louisiana joins Memphis and the nation in honoring the legacy of
11 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and the citizens of the state pledge to make progress toward
12 civility and unity consistent with the values and life work of Dr. King to achieve his dream
13 of freedom and equality for all.

14 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
15 commend the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., upon the fiftieth anniversary of
16 his death and does hereby commemorate the city of Memphis for its celebration of MLK50:
17 Memphis Remembers.

DIGEST

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