



Executive Department  
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor  
**Proclamation**

State Capitol  
Boise

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. inspired millions of Americans to participate in non-violent demonstrations to support the ideals of equality for all, and was a motivating force behind a civil rights movement that had as its goal the creation of a society inclusive of all races, cultures and nationalities; and

WHEREAS, the celebration of Dr. King's birthday is intended as a time for all Americans to reaffirm their commitment to the basic principles that underlie our Constitution – equal treatment and justice for all; and

WHEREAS, Idaho enjoys a richness of diversity in its population, embracing many ethnic and racial groups as a part of both the state's history and its future; and

WHEREAS, both state and national observances of this day will focus on the importance of individual volunteerism and a commitment to community service as a way of breaking down social and economic barriers and bringing people together to focus on their common concerns and interests; and

WHEREAS, the ideals of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and Idaho's commitment to human rights, are worthy of reflection and serve as a reminder that improving the quality of life for all members of society is everyone's responsibility;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim January 18, 2016 to be

**MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. IDAHO  
HUMAN RIGHTS DAY**



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand and sixteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred fortieth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-sixth.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "C.L. Butch Otter", written over a horizontal line.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER  
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Lawrence Denney", written over a horizontal line.

LAWRENCE DENNEY  
SECRETARY OF STATE