

RESOLUTION NO. R-2021-015

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. helped transform the United States into a more egalitarian society through his calm but firm leadership and ability to galvanize activism and to promote nonviolent protest; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King played a key role in the civil rights movement by encouraging equality and ensuring civil rights for all people, regardless of race; and

WHEREAS, Round Rock has enjoyed a long history of diverse individuals, families, businesses, and organizations who have had a positive and lasting impact on the city's culture and development; and

WHEREAS, the accomplishments of the City's Black community are woven into the fabric of the city and are clearly evident in Round Rock's success today; and

WHEREAS, Sheppard Street played a prominent role in Round Rock's history by connecting the City's governmental and commercial center on Main St. with one of the City's predominantly minority neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church located on Sheppard Street was the first African American church in Round Rock, established in 1885; and

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it appropriate and proper to honor the extraordinary accomplishments of Dr. King by designating Sheppard Street to his memory, Now Therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROUND ROCK

That the City Council hereby designates Sheppard Street in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and directs the City Manager to cause appropriate signs be erected along Sheppard Street to so honor Dr. King.

The City Council hereby finds and declares that written notice of the date, hour, place and subject of the meeting at which this Resolution was adopted was posted and that such meeting was open to the public as required by law at all times during which this Resolution and the subject matter hereof were discussed, considered and formally acted upon, all as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as amended.

RESOLVED this 14th day of January, 2021.

CRAIG MORGAN, Mayor
City of Round Rock, Texas

ATTEST:

SARA L. WHITE, City Clerk