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The National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE) Joins the Nation and World in Celebrating and Honoring Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

ALEXANDRIA, VA – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. remains one of the most pivotal figures in American history. His influence and legacy could not be more pertinent than it is today in these trying times where racial reconciliation and progress are continuously at odds with each other. A dogma has taken shape throughout this country that greatly threatens to unravel the civil rights efforts Dr. King laid down his life for.

As we celebrate Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s holiday this Monday, we must remember that his dream is far from realized. We must carry the torch he lit years ago by speaking up, organizing and pursuing equity with deliberate action.

The National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE) is calling on Americans of all races to drown out the embers of racism and call out those who believe in order to make America great we must subjugate and create barriers for people of color. America should hold promise for all of those who call it home irrespective to race, religion, gender identity, and/or sexual orientation. That is the vision Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. had for this nation and despite the rhetoric coming from some, Dr. King's vision can be actualized, and we must all be willing to work tirelessly to see it through.

“As we celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, we ask that the nation honor Dr. King’s birthday and ultimate sacrifice as a day of service and not a day off,” stated National President Clarence E. Cox, III.

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About the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives

Since 1976, The National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE) has served as the conscience of law enforcement by being committed to justice by action. NOBLE represents over 3,000 members internationally, who are primarily African-American chief executive officers of law enforcement agencies at federal, state, county and municipal levels, other law enforcement administrators, and criminal justice practitioners. For more information, visit www.noblenational.org.

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