

HRES 73

Observing the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr., and encouraging the people of the United States to observe the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr., and the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and for other purposes.

Congress: 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

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Latest Action: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection. (Jan 21, 2009)

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 16, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 21, 2009)

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Declares that the House of Representatives: (1) observes the 80th birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr.; and (2) pledges to advance Dr. King's legacy.

Encourages the people of the United States to: (1) observe Dr. King's 80th birthday and his life; (2) commemorate his legacy so that, as Dr. King hoped, "one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: 'We hold these truths to be self-evident; that all men are created equal"'; and (3) remember Dr. King's message and rededicate themselves to his goal of a free and just United States.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 21, 2009:** Mr. Conyers moved to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution.
- **Jan 21, 2009:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H394-398)
- **Jan 21, 2009:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H. Res. 73.
- **Jan 21, 2009:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H394-395)
- **Jan 21, 2009:** On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H394-395)
- **Jan 21, 2009:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jan 16, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 16, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.