



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Senator Breslin Commemorates The Life Of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

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(Albany, NY) Senator Neil D. Breslin D - Delmar reminds all New Yorker's that Monday, January 20th 2014, was Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day. This milestone is an excellent opportunity for Americans to honor Dr. King's legacy through service. The MLK Day of Service empowers individuals, strengthens communities, bridges barriers, creates solutions to social problems, and moves us closer to Dr. King's vision of a harmonious society.

"Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. is a perfect example of a leader that children and adults alike can be proud to emulate on the day of his birth and all year round," Senator Breslin said. "The values and goals Dr. King promoted still ring true today and can be realized through recommitting ourselves to community service."

After a long struggle, legislation was signed in 1983 creating a federal holiday marking the birthday of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. In 1994, Congress designated the Martin Luther King Jr. Federal Holiday as a national day of service and charged the Corporation for National and Community Service with leading this effort.

The MLK Day of Service is a part of United We Serve, the President's national call to service initiative. It calls for Americans from all walks of life to work together to provide solutions to our most pressing national problems.

Senator Breslin concluded, "Dr King once said, 'Life's most persistent and urgent question is: What are you doing for others?' It's important that we all remember this very powerful message and strive to make positive change in our society no matter how big or small,

everyday of the year.”

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