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Waterford School District will Honor Dr. Martin Luther King's Legacy at Community Celebration

January 5, 2010, Waterford, Mich. – The Waterford School District will hold a community celebration to honor Dr. Martin Luther King's Legacy on Sunday, January 16, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m., at the Performing Arts Center, Kettering Campus, 2800 Kettering Drive, Waterford. The entire community is invited and encouraged to attend this celebration.

The celebration will include Rev. Connie Jackson, motivational speaker, educator, and community leader, who will reflect on her family history in Montgomery Alabama, the civil rights movement, and the life and legacy of Dr. King. Musical performances include the Cooley Elementary Third Grade Singers, who will sing a special song about peace; Big Chief Chorus, a 40-member chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society; Special Class for Spiritual Adults Chime Choir (SCSA) from Good Samaritan Church; and Men of Grace, a musical ministry of Grace Gospel Fellowship, specializing in gospel-blues-jazz with an emphasis on vocal harmony. The evening will include a special appearance by Biakuye African Drum Ensemble, an energetic group of African and American musicians who play music based on a wealth of melodic-percussion traditions including the Ghanaian gyil, Ugandan embaire, South African kalimba, Guatemalan marimba, and United States vibraphone.

The celebration is presented by the Waterford Diversity Committee and sponsored by the Waterford School District, Waterford Board of Education, Waterford Township, Oakland Community College – Highland Lakes Campus, Waterford Area Chamber of Commerce, Waterford Coalition for Youth, Waterford Youth Assistance, Waterford Police Department, Waterford Fire Department, Waterford Association of School Administrators, Waterford Michigan Education Association Members, Waterford Rotary Club, and the Waterford Ministerial Association.

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