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CANANDAIGUA VA MEDICAL CENTER TO HONOR DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr.

On January 12, the Canandaigua VA will present a Commemoration Service in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. This event will be held in Building 5 at 1:30 p.m.

Mrs. Coretta Scott King, directed the first observance of Dr. King's birthday, which was sponsored by the King center in Atlanta Georgia on January 15, 1969.

In 1983, an act of Congress established the Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday and the first legal holiday in honor of Mrs. King's husband was observed in January of 1986.

This year marks thirty years of the official observation. The commemoration of Dr. King's birth now serves as a day to, "encourage the world to engage in volunteer services in tribute to the work and life of Dr. King."

For more information please contact Chaplain Pamula Royal, Canandaigua VA Medical Center at 585-393-7882.

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