

Legislation Text

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## AN ORDINANCE TO NAME TWO SEGMENTS OF THE JONESBORO MULTI-PURPOSE TRAIL SYSTEM IN HONOR OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. AND TO ERECT APPROPRIATE SIGNS FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas:

Section 1: The City Council finds and declares that the life and achievements of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. have been an inspiration to millions of American citizens, many of whom are citizens of the City of Jonesboro and the State of Arkansas, and that in order to recognize Dr. King, two segments of the City of Jonesboro multipurpose trail system shall be designated as the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Freedom Trail.

Section 2: The Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Freedom Trail shall consist of the present trail from Allen Park to the Marion Berry Boulevard and the planned trail from Arkansas State University to Downtown Jonesboro.

Section 3: The Mayor of Jonesboro shall appoint a special committee, its members to be confirmed by the City Council, for the purpose of planning an educational component on some portion of the Arkansas State University to Downtown Jonesboro trail. The committee's responsibilities shall include raising funds for trail markers that will feature well-known quotations of Dr. King.

Section 4: A separate account shall be established for funds raised to finance and maintain trail markers for the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Freedom Trail.

Section 5: The Freedom Trail Committee shall work with the City Engineer or some other person designated by him to place and locate the markers at proper places along the trail, and it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to tear down, remove or mutilate such signs.

Section 6: Any person who engaged in tearing down, removing or mutilating such signs established by this ordinance shall be charged with criminal mischief and shall be responsible for payment of restitution to the City of Jonesboro.

Section 7: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 8: It is found and declared by the City Council of the City of Jonesboro that the life and achievements of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. should be recognized in an appropriate manner, and therefore the City of Jonesboro and the City Council does hereby designate the present multi-purpose trail from Allen Park to the Marion Berry Boulevard and the planned multi-purpose trail from Arkansas State University to Downtown Jonesboro as the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Freedom Trail.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 19TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2019.