PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Port Orchard joins the Ebenezer African Methodist Episcopal Church in its annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Day program and celebration; and

WHEREAS, this year’s “A Day of Service in Action” theme is a great opportunity for us to recognize all the churches, service clubs, non-profits, and the civic organizations that work every day to unite Kitsap County residents; and

WHEREAS, Martin Luther King Jr. had a dream and we should take this opportunity to confirm that his dream has been imprinted permanently in our hearts; and

WHEREAS, we will faithfully confirm that his dream is still alive when we love and respect one another and show that love with every selfless act we undertake as a community; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King has taught us that all the people we encounter are the ones that Jesus has died for, and that we should treat everyone with faith, hope, and charity; and

WHEREAS, when Martin Luther King, Jr. asked us, “What are you doing for others?” Kitsap County residents will have a long and impressive list of successes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Timothy C. Matthes, Mayor of Port Orchard, do hereby proclaim the January 20, 2014, as:

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service in Action**

in the City of Port Orchard, and urge citizens throughout Port Orchard to honor the memory of Dr. King and put his teachings into action by finding ways to give back to their communities on this day and throughout the year.

Signed the 6th day of January 2014

Timothy C. Matthes, Mayor