

Dunedin Celebrates Diversity 2022

“A Community United ~ Many Paths, One Destination”

Whereas, we live in a world comprised of individuals from many different cultures and backgrounds and believe that all people are equal and each person unique and valuable; and

Whereas, we respect, accept, appreciate, celebrate and embrace diversity; and

Whereas, we share an individual and collective, moral and ethical responsibility to create a community free from discrimination and prejudice; and

Whereas, our community will celebrate Diversity 2022 with a kick-off event to commemorate the birthday and work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on Saturday, January 15, 2022, followed by many ethnic and cultural events conducted in Dunedin throughout the year in alignment with U.N.I.T.E. Dunedin, an initiative to “Unite Neighbors In Thoughtfulness and Empathy”.

Whereas, this initiative strives to cultivate and sustain an inclusive and diversified community that values social justice, unity, shared responsibility, mutual respect and environmental justice by putting into action positive changes in the City of Dunedin workforce and our community to achieve equality of outcomes in collaboration between employees and residents to accept and create a harmonious environment.

Now Therefore, I, Julie Ward Bujalski, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Dunedin, and on behalf of the entire City Commission, do hereby proclaim **“DUNEDIN CELEBRATES DIVERSITY 2022”** a year-long celebration to acknowledge that we are a community united, with many paths but one destination, and we encourage all residents to participate in our year-long ethnic events starting with the celebration of the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Mardi Gras, Saint Patrick’s Day, Highland Games, Cinco de Mayo, Dunedin PRIDE Week, Our Lady of Lourdes Fall Festival, Dia Day Los Muertos, Celtic Festival, Piper on the Pier and the United Faith Walk of Peace.