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Legal Aid Statement on Martin Luther King Jr. Day

(NEW YORK, NY) – The Legal Aid Society released the following statement on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. day:

“Today we honor the life of a leader whose dream we fight for every day. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. epitomized what it means to defend the rights of those who are marginalized and ostracized. He advocated for comprehensive social reform and was a fervent champion of the demand for a racial reckoning. His impact on the moral compass of this nation can never be forgotten. His message remains critical today.

Today and every day, we commit to Dr. King’s legacy by addressing the systemic issues that have beset our city’s BIPOC communities and by integrating racial justice into every facet of our organization. Our dedicated and resilient staff will continue to be on the frontlines of the fight for racial equity, leading national coalitions that address systemic injustice, and creating new laws and policies that transform lives.”

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The Legal Aid Society exists for one simple yet powerful reason: to ensure that New Yorkers are not denied their right to equal justice because of poverty. For 145 years, we have protected, defended, and advocated for those who have struggled in silence for far too long. Every day, in every borough, The Legal Aid Society changes the lives of our clients and helps improve our communities. www.legalaidnyc.org