

Executive Action Sheet for Senate Legislation

Senate Bill 329-	
Resolution 329-	
I, Meghana Boojala, President of the Student As	sembly of William & Mary do hereby
Approve	
Veto	
The Student Assembly Senate Legislation:	
resident 329th Student Assembly (21-22)	DATE:

A Bill

To celebrate the work of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and to discuss the future of rights in America

The Martin Luther King Jr. Commemoration Bill

An Act of the 329th Student Assembly of William & Mary,

Sponsored by Senator Shaunna Scott ('23)

Co-Sponsored by Senator Taylor Fox ('24) and Daniel Bess ('24)

Supported by Secretary of Diversity Initiatives Victor Adejayan ('23)

WHEREAS, Martin Luther King Jr. Day is a national holiday committed to Dr. King and bringing attention to his work;

WHEREAS, the Center for Student Diversity annually hosts the Martin Luther King Jr. Commemoration Program at the start of each Spring semester. Commemoration events include a Candlelight Vigil, Readings by Dr. King, and walk across campus to gather for an address with a prominent guest speaker/lecturer;

WHEREAS, this event will celebrate black culture as well as reflect on racial inequality in the United States;

WHEREAS, the 2021 MLK Commemoration Event will highlight guest speaker Benjamin Crump, a nationally recognized trial lawyer who specializes in civil rights;

WHEREAS, Benjamin Crump has served as the lead attorney for families of Trayvon Martin, Breonna Taylor, George Floyd, and many others;

WHEREAS, Benjamin Crump is committed to representing Black victims and their families in cases of police violence and racial injustice;

WHEREAS, it is extremely important to have events such as this to enlighten the student body and deepen their understanding of topics concerning race.

Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Student Assembly of William & Mary:

- 1. Assists the Center of Student Diversity on-site for the Martin Luther King Jr. Commemoration event.
 - a. Passing out pamphlets to the attendees during the event
- 2. Advertises the event:
 - a. Members of the Student Assembly assist with <u>tabling</u> for the event during the week of
 - b. Tasks the Outreach Department with promoting the event on Student Assembly social media accounts, and creating a flyer that can be printed and posted on social media.
 - c. Members of the Senate within Student Assembly to repost flyers on instagram and promote the event via group chats, and other formats of social media.
- 3. Attend the invite-only dinner before the program.
 - a. Selected representatives from Student Assembly will be asked to attend an invite-only dinner with the speaker.
 - b. This dinner will be composed of representatives from Student Assembly, CVRP, and the Dean of Students, as well as professors that correlate the speaker's background.
 - c. The dinner will facilitate an intimate and informal conversation with the speaker.
- 4. Allocates \$7 from the Student Assembly Reserves for flyers
- 5. Allocates \$5,000 from the Student Assembly Reserves for SA's contribution to the speaker fee for Benjamin Crump.
- 6. Charges the sponsors of the bill to carry out the preparation and oversight for this event.