54th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Remembrance Dinner





Honorable Brandon Johnson, Mayor, City of Chicago Invited Speaker



Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Remembrance



Dr. Timothy L. Killeen, President University of Illinois System Honoree

October 3, 2023

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The Illinois Commission on Diversity & Human Relations (ICDHR) is a 501(c)(3) organization which was founded 55 years ago. The organizational mission is to advance programs designed to improve human relations across gender, race and culture.

Each year, ICDHR gathers members of the public, government, education, healthcare, private industry and others to salute the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Our goal is to ensure his work to promote justice and equality is not forgotten, while highlighting a specific societal issue that was among those of most concern to him.

On December 2, 2023, ICDHR will host its 54th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Remembrance Dinner, at The Cotillion Banquets, in Palatine, Illinois. The theme, "Dr. King: Education, the Next Battleground," resonates from a 1964 speech delivered by Dr. King to the National Federation of Teachers.

Each annual event is attended by a notable keynote speaker and also provides recognition to someone who has worked tirelessly in the field being highlighted. This year, the invited speaker is the Honorable Brandon Johnson, Mayor, City of Chicago and an educator. Given his extraordinary contributions in the field of public education, Dr. Timothy Killeen, 20th President of the University of Illinois System, will be honored.

We are requesting that you join us in this remembrance of Dr. King. Details and Dinner sponsorship and ticket purchase information can be found enclosed and at www.icdhr.org. Sponsorships, ticket purchases and donations are tax exempt in accordance with IRS regulations. The courtesy of your response by November 20, 2023, will be appreciated.

Sincerely,

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Reverend Clyde H. Brooks, Chairman Illinois Commission on Diversity & Human Relations