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To the Faculty, Staff and Students of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville

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MEMO TO: The University Community
FROM: Earl Lazerson 
SUBJECT: Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Day

Friday, January 14, 1983 has been designated Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Day at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. The achievements of the late human rights leader and Nobel Peace Laureate will be commemorated in a series of events involving scholars and religious leaders of national distinction in collaboration with members of the University community.

The keynote address will be delivered by Samuel D. Proctor, the Martin Luther King Memorial Chair professor at the Rutgers University Graduate School of Education. Others who will join in honoring the late Dr. King will be: Alton Hornsby, Jr., professor of history at Morehouse College in Atlanta; Harvard Sitkoff, associate professor of history at the University of New Hampshire; Lawrence D. Reddick, distinguished visiting professor at Dillard University in New Orleans; and William D. Watley, associate general secretary of The Consultation on Church Union, Princeton, N.J.

SIUE participants will include Shirley Carlson, assistant professor of history; Johnetta Haley, acting director of the East St. Louis Center; Luther Stripling, associate professor of music; and the Reverend Larry Meinzen of the Campus Ministry. The Reverend Obie Rush, pastor of St. Paul Baptist Church in East St. Louis, will also participate.

The observance will open with presentations by Professors Hornsby, Sitkoff, and Reddick in a session from 9:45 a.m. until noon in the Redbud-Oak Rooms of the University Center.

The afternoon program, from 2 until 3:30 p.m., will take place in the Communications Building Theater. At this time, Dr. Proctor will deliver his keynote address, following other speakers. Musical selections will be presented by the SIUE Gospel Choir and Professor Stripling.

Classes will be dismissed for the afternoon ceremonies.

The observance is sponsored by the Office of the President, the Student Programming Board, and the Central Affirmative Action Office.