

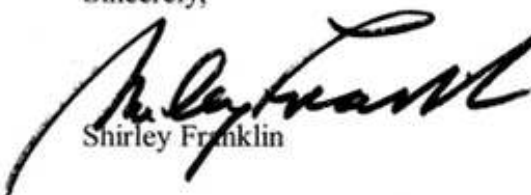
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Greetings,

In January 2009, as Mayor of Atlanta, I applauded the collective efforts of the team who had made it possible to present stage readings of a brand new musical chronicling the life and times of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. I am delighted that these same producers have decided to stage the *world premiere* of the freshly-named show – “I Dream” – at the Alliance Theater, Atlanta in July of this year.

It is absolutely right that Dr King’s life should be celebrated in our city for the first time in this particular artistic form. It therefore gives me great pleasure - in my private capacity - to commend this important and celebratory work to everyone who wants to experience Dr King’s life through the creative expression of such exceptional talent and to encourage meaningful association with this ground-breaking production which deserves full support.

Sincerely,



Shirley Franklin