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ANNUAL MLK PARADE AND CELEBRATION ON MONDAY IN SOUTH KENNER

Kenner, LA. – Kenner’s 31st annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration begins with a parade at 11 a.m. on Monday, and concludes with a program at the Arthur P. Clay Center, 200 Decatur St.

The parade starts at Providence Baptist Church, 11509 Jefferson Highway and continues on Jefferson Highway, also known as Rev. Richard Wilson Drive, until reaching Decatur Street. The parade then turns from Rev. Richard Wilson Drive to the Clay Center on Decatur.

The event is sponsored by the City of Kenner and District 1 Councilman Gregory W. Carroll. “No other day of the year brings so many people from different cultural backgrounds together in such a vibrant spirit of brotherhood,” Carroll said.

“On this day we commemorate Dr. King’s great dream of a vibrant, multiracial nation united in justice, peace and reconciliation; a nation that has a place at the table for children of every race,” he said. “We are called on this holiday, not merely to honor, but to celebrate the values of equality, tolerance and interracial sister and brotherhood that he so compellingly expressed in his great dream for America.”

Leslie Sanders Martin is the mistress of ceremonies for the program, which includes music from the Pilgrim Baptist Church Choir and folkloric dance from Esperanza Villavicencio of the Asociación Nicaragüense de Louisiana (ANDELA). The featured speaker is Pastor Mitchell J. Stevens of Pilgrim Baptist Church.

Carroll will offer a welcome to the crowd and Kenner’s Acting Mayor Michael Sigur, also the 2nd District councilman, will offer brief remarks.

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