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MEMORANDUM

TO: Labor Activist

FROM: Rosalyn Pelles, Director
Civil, Human and Women's Rights Dept.

DATE: October 13, 2009

RE: AFL-CIO Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Observance
January 14–18, 2010

The 2010 AFL-CIO Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Observance will be held January 14–18 in Greensboro, North Carolina. This year's Observance comes at a significant time in history, 2010 marks the 50th Anniversary of the Greensboro Sit-Ins to end the racial segregation of lunch counters and other public facilities. The Greensboro Sit-Ins launched a movement that spread across the Southern United States. This year will be a great year to celebrate the life and work of Dr. King and the anniversary of this great civil rights milestone.

This year, we will commit one day to community service projects. Bring your work clothes. We will also have a day with speakers and workshops. A detailed agenda for the conference will be available at a later date. The Triad Central Labor Council, North Carolina AFL-CIO and local unions are working with us to make the Observance a success.

We have obtained an outstanding hotel rate of \$104 plus 12.75% tax at the Sheraton Greensboro Four Seasons. This year we have a new system for making hotel reservations. Participants should make reservations directly online at https://reservations.ihotelier.com/crs/g_login.cfm?hotelid=2576, use access code: MLKDAY. If you would like additional information about hotel accommodations or meeting space, please contact Debbie Justus-Thompson at djustus@aflcio.org or 202-637-5228.

The reduced conference registration fee of \$150.00 includes conference attendance, the awards dinner, labor breakfast and all conference materials. A conference registration form is attached. We encourage you to register early. **After Monday, December 28, 2009, a late registration fee of \$25 will be assessed and no refunds will be made after that date.**

We look forward to seeing you in Greensboro!

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cc: Arlene Holt Baker