



WHEREAS, December 10, 2025 marks the 77th anniversary of the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights; and

WHEREAS, the Declaration establishes multiple rights such as freedom, equal dignity, peace, and the overall worth of every human being; and

WHEREAS, maintaining fundamental human rights is the basis of a democratic society; and

WHEREAS, the theme for 2025 is “Holocaust Remembrance for Dignity and Human Rights,” and

WHEREAS, the Human Rights Commission, appointed by the Mayor and Council, is charged with improving human rights for the Rockville community, promoting appreciation and understanding of diversity; and

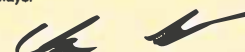
WHEREAS, Rockville’s Human Rights Commission fulfills these responsibilities by sponsoring programs such as the City’s annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration and the Rockville Pride program, engaging young people through diversity and inclusion training, and conducting voter registration.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor and Council of Rockville, Maryland, do hereby proclaim December 10, 2025, as **Human Rights Day** in Rockville, Maryland, and encourage Rockville residents to appreciate the importance of human rights both locally and globally, to educate themselves on human rights issues, and to advocate for those whose rights are violated.




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December 1, 2025