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Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi Celebrates the Life and Dream of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with a Campus March

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas –The African American Cultural Society and the Islander Cultural Alliance at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi will hold a campus march Tuesday, Jan. 20, commemorating the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and his fight for racial equality.

The theme of this year's event is "Are You Living the Dream?" The program will begin at 11 a.m. outside the east entrance of the University Center with a screen presentation of King's "I Have a Dream" speech and fade into President-Elect Barack Obama's Nov. 4, 2008, post-election speech. The MLK March through campus, which follows the speech and begins around 11:30 a.m., will be led by the Corpus Christi Ray High School's NJROTC.

Following the march, a taped showing of Obama's inauguration will be shown in the University Center, Lone Star Ballroom. The event is free and open to the public.

King, one of the leaders of the 1960s American civil rights movement, was born Jan. 15, 1929, in Atlanta, Ga. A Baptist minister and outspoken advocate of non-violent protest, at the age of 35 he became the youngest person to receive the Nobel Peace Prize. He was assassinated on April 4, 1968, in Memphis, Tenn.

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