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MCC to celebrate MLK Day with event on Jan. 14

OMAHA, Neb. — Metropolitan Community College will host the 31st annual Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration on Thursday, Jan. 14, Noon–1:30 p.m. in the Swanson Conference Center of the Institute for the Culinary Arts at the Fort Omaha Campus, 32nd Street and Sorensen Parkway. Rev. Kenneth A. Allen Sr., a senior pastor at Zion Baptist Church, will be delivering the keynote address. The event is open to the public.

Cost is \$15 for general admission and \$10 for MCC students. Seating is limited. To make a reservation, call 402-457-5231. Reservations will close when full or on Jan. 6; no tickets or payments at the door. For more information, contact bvelazquez@mccneb.edu or 402-457-2253.

About Rev. Kenneth A. Allen Sr.

Reverend Kenneth A. Allen Sr. is pastor of Zion Baptist Church in Omaha, Nebraska. He holds a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from the University of Texas at Austin and a Master of Divinity from Morehouse School of Religion at the Interdenominational Theological Center of Atlanta. He is currently studying at United Theological Seminary of Dayton, Ohio, where he is pursuing a Doctor of Ministry degree. In 2014, Rev. Allen was appointed Western Region I coordinator of Christian education for the Sunday School Publishing Board of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc., with responsibility for the states of Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Colorado.

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