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Colorado Commissioner of Education Dwight D. Jones to speak at 2009 Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Celebration

CHICAGO – Dwight D. Jones, Colorado Commissioner of Education, is the featured speaker at the 2009 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Celebration at the American Library Association's (ALA) Midwinter Meeting. Jones has established statewide recognition for narrowing and eliminating the achievement gaps related to minority children and students of low-socioeconomic means. Commissioner of Education since June 2007, Jones' bio is at: <http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdecomm/cmbio.htm>.

The theme of the celebration, "A Testament of Hope: Remember! Celebrate! Act! A Day on... Not a Day Off!" will honor the life and achievements of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Additional speakers include ALA staff, as well as ALA affiliate, committee, and round table officers. Refreshments are generously sponsored by World Book, Inc.

Held at the Colorado Convention Center, room 201-207, the event takes place on Monday, January 26. Admission is free to paid ALA Midwinter Meeting registrants.

For conference registration information, visit <http://www.ala.org/midwinter>. This event is supported by ALA's Office for Literacy and Outreach Services, to learn more visit <http://www.ala.org/olos>.