King to be honored on 17th

Staff reports

A portion of 17th Street in Manhattan is scheduled to be dedicated as Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Drive in 2007.

According to Larry Hackney, a member of the Manhattan Martin Luther King Memorial Committee, the dedication will likely take place in January during the city's annual King memorial events. The dedicated portions could include the section from Fort Riley Boulevard to Anderson Avenue, just west of the K-State Campus.

Sources indicated the dedication would not involve a formal name change; thus, addresses of homes along the way would not be altered. Rather, that portion of the street would have a second, honorary name, likely to be included on street signs below the 17th Street designation.

More information about the dedication will be released during the Manhattan Community Cultural Harmony Week on Friday, September 22. For more information about Community Cultural Harmony Week, visit www.ksu.edu/cchw.