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Henry Crosby, director of the North Community YMCA will be the keynote speaker at the annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration.

The event, hosted by the Gamma Xi Lambda chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., will be held on Saturday, Jan. 19 from 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.at the Minneapolis Urban League, 2100 Plymouth Ave N.

Crosby began his YMCA career in 2006 with the Minneapolis YMCA serving as the Urban Financial Development Specialist. He came to the YMCA from the United Negro College Fund (UNCF) where he served as Area Development Director from 2001-2006.

Crosby is also one of the founders of the African American Rights of Passage Program. He has more than 20 years of sales and marketing experience from Bell & Howell, AMI Imaging Systems and Source Corporation.

A graduate of Tuskegee Institute, Crosby pursued his graduate studies at the University of Minnesota – Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs. He and his wife, Stephanie Crosby, live in Golden Valley and have two adult children. His Son Brian Crosby is a 2003 graduate of Morehouse College. Crosby's daughter, Ariana Crosby, completed her studies at Spelman College in Atlanta in 2011.

For additional information on the celebration, contact Levi Brady at (651) 688-7904 or Ellis Bullock at (651) 209-8011.