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Martin Luther King Jr. March/Candlelight Vigil To Take Place at EIU

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Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., will host its annual Martin Luther King Jr. March and Candlelight Vigil Monday, Jan. 21, on the campus of Eastern Illinois University.

The event begins at 6 p.m. with a march from the Thomas Hall lobby to the Grand Ballroom, located in Eastern's MLK Jr. Union. The program there - scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m. - will include comments from keynote speaker Chandra Gill and a performance by the EIU Unity Gospel Choir.

Gill, who will serve as the executive director of Loop Lab School, a state-of-the-art private elementary school soon to open in downtown Chicago, currently teaches at Northeastern Illinois University's Center for Inner City Studies. Additionally, she recently joined the city's only black-owned radio station, WVON, as executive producer and co-host of the city's only hip-hop talk show.

Interested persons need not participate in the march to attend the program, although organizers invite all attendees to participate if weather and health allow.

Admission is free.