



KEYS TO THE CITY OF WEST PALM BEACH AND RIVIERA BEACH

Martin Luther King III and Rabbi Marc Schneier honored at the
Palm Beach County Convention Center

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (February 12, 2010) – A room filled with diversity overflowed as many waited to hear the timely discussion of “Cooperation and Conflict: Relations Between African-Americans and Jews from Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. to the Present & Beyond” presented by The Ewa & Dan Abraham Project and The Jewish Federation of Palm Beach County’s at the Palm Beach County Convention Center.

For such an auspicious occasion and distinguished guest speakers it was only befitting to bestow a ceremonial “Keys to the City” for Martin Luther King III and Rabbi Marc Schneier presented by the Honorable Lois Frankel, Mayor of West Palm Beach, and Honorable Thomas Masters, Mayor of Riviera Beach.

After receiving the token of appreciation for all the work and service he has dedicated throughout his lifetime, Martin Luther King III shared a personal moment with the visitors explaining that West Palm Beach was actually the last place he remembers visiting with his family; including the late Coretta Scott King and Yolanda King.

The pressing inquiry was on the state of the Black-Jewish relations. Martin Luther King III explained “..we are much closer than we’ve been in some time.” In agreement, Rabbi Schneier reflected on the progression of their relationship from its lowest point with the Crown Heights riots in 1991 to the realization that this bond has in fact brought about some of the most political breakthroughs of all time. Rabbi Schneier optimistically ended with the notion, “We are in a state of cooperation and not a state of conflict.”

The messages delivered last night transcended all ages and races and our current position was comprehended by all through Martin Luther King III’s words, “We have made great strides

but we are not there yet! Even in this terrible economy...we need to acknowledge where we are in order to move forward..."

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