King-Dorsey fund launched at University of Montana

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MISSOULA—

A memorial fund in the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and a University of Montana law graduate has been launched on the Missoula campus with a $500 grant through the UM Foundation.

The fund, entitled the Dorsey-King Memorial Fund, was established by UM President Robert T. Pantzer. The fund honors the memory of both Dr. King and the late James Dorsey, a UM alumnus who was prominent in civil rights work in Milwaukee.

Besides the $500 in actual Foundation funds, Pres. Pantzer and seven other University administrators each contributed $25 toward the fund. Others may do so between now and July 1.

Pres. Pantzer said it had been suggested to him that an annual scholarship or other award might be established, to be given to a student "who has contributed the most in the improvement of racial relationships at the University of Montana."

Dorsey was killed in a fire in Milwaukee two years ago. His daughter married the son of Naseby Rhinehart, long-time UM athletic trainer.

Pres. Pantzer wrote a letter to Ester Hadley, head of Action Seminar, a civil rights group on campus, informing her of the fund and urging her to work with Andrew Cogswell, UM Dean of Students, in promoting the award fund.