PRESS RELEASE

What: Everyone is Welcome (to use our bathroom)!
https://www.facebook.com/events/258111341188501/
A community event to protest HB2 and foster solidarity and inclusion

When: Wednesday, April 6, 2016
4:30 - 6:30 PM
5:00 PM Press Conference

Where: Bull City Cool Food Hub
902 N Mangum St, Durham, NC 27701

Who: Co-sponsored by Reinvestment Partners & the LGBTQ Center of Durham
Peter Skillern, Executive Director, Reinvestment Partners, 919-667-1000 x 22
Helena Cragg, Chair, LGBTQ Center of Durham, 919-868-6208, Hcragg@lgbtqcenterofdurham.org

Visual: During renovations of The Hub in 2015, Reinvestment Partners discovered a hidden second bathroom with its door still labeled “Colored.” The two bathrooms were remodeled into a universally accessible bathroom. It highlights the changing history of social policy and bathroom norms. HB2 continues the Southern tradition of denying broader civil and economic rights by stigmatizing a minority group. There will be seven porta-potties labeled White, Colored, Men, Ladies, Trans, Democrats and Republicans to humorously highlight the changing history of social policy and bathroom norms. We anticipate attendance by more than 100 Durham citizens.

Media interviews are available with speakers as listed in presentation order:
Peter Skillern, Executive Director, Reinvestment Partners, Welcome
Floyd McKissick, NC State Senator, HB2 and History of Segregation
Helena Cragg, Chair LGBTQ Center of Durham, Impact on LGBTQ community
Durham High School Student, Life after HB2 in high school
Heidi Carter, Durham Public Schools, Proposed Resolution
Charlie Reece, Durham City Council-member, Proposed Resolution
Michael Page, Durham County Commissioner, Proposed Resolution (Invited)
Milan Pham, Attorney, Legal Impact on Civil Rights
Carl Rist, Living Wage Campaign, HB2 on Living Wage Requirements
Mykal Slack, Reverend, Closing