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Press Conference for Scott Douglas
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Kelly Ingram Park (in front of King statue).

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Scott Douglas Announces Bid for Mayor of Birmingham; Pledges a New Day of Cooperation and Progress for City

Birmingham, AL — Scott Douglas, executive director of Greater Birmingham Ministries, announced his candidacy for mayor this morning in front of the Martin Luther King statue in Kelly Ingram Park.

Running on a platform of “Green Jobs, Green Schools, Green Transportation, Green Communities,” Douglas pledged to bring together neighborhoods, non-profits, and businesses to move the city forward. “Recent voter turnout numbers are disappointingly low,” he says. “The question is, is it just voter apathy and civic disengagement, or is it more? The voters have not been enlisted in the struggle to find a new direction that puts the best interests of all Birminghamians at the top of the priority list.”

Douglas has been an active organizer for social justice in Birmingham for many years, playing a role in creating Alabama’s Landlord-Tenant Law, Alabama Arise, Bethel-Ensley Action Tasks (BEAT), Birmingham Home Ownership Center, the Old Firehouse Shelter, and Pathways (a shelter for women and children). He is an alumnus of Leadership Birmingham and Leadership Alabama and a founding board member of the Nonprofit Resource Center of Alabama.

“I have a proven track record of bringing people together to serve the common good,” says Douglas. “Birmingham will benefit from the leadership of a visionary mayor with proven capabilities.

“I hope the people of Birmingham will vote on Dec. 8 for Scott Douglas.”

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