Housing affordability and income mobility are growing concerns in metro Atlanta and beyond. These matters are often cited as critically important to an equitable society, but are we moving the needle? What action is needed to inspire leadership and build political will to make needed changes? The June Atlanta Regional Housing Forum will tackle these questions through a special conversation with Dr. Raphael Bostic of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta as well as a cross-sector panel.

Dr. Raphael Bostic became the 15th president and chief executive officer of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta in June 2017. Dr. Bostic brings a wealth of knowledge in economics, monetary policy, financial markets, and public policy to the role. Throughout his career at the Federal Reserve Board of Governors, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and the University of Southern California, Dr. Bostic has been engaged in research and policy related to homeownership, housing finance, neighborhood change and the role of institutions in shaping policy effectiveness.

With two years under his belt in Atlanta, and at a time when housing affordability is a key concern in metro Atlanta and beyond, Dr. Bostic will join us at the Atlanta Regional Housing Forum for a conversation and to share his thoughts. How is the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta addressing and embedding housing needs and economic mobility in its work? What roles should the Federal Reserve Bank and the financial sector be playing to address growing housing concerns? What is the future of the Community Reinvestment Act?

We also have questions about how to improve access to capital for affordable housing and community development. What best practices could be deployed in metro Atlanta? How do we address leadership challenges and build the political and civic will needed for change?

Joining Dr. Bostic to answer these questions will be two Atlanta leaders with significant background in the housing sector, Egbert Perry, Chairman and CEO of Integral, and Lisa Y. Gordon, President & CEO of Atlanta Habitat for Humanity.

Mr. Perry co-founded Integral in Atlanta in 1993 with a mission to create value in cities and rebuild the fabric of communities, as demonstrated in Integral’s work in transforming downtown Atlanta’s Centennial Place with the Atlanta Housing Authority and others. Mr. Perry has served on boards of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, United Way of Metropolitan Atlanta and more. He has served as board chairman at Fannie Mae, a $3.2 trillion mortgage organization and the largest financial institution in the United States.

Ms. Gordon leads one of the top ten Habitat for Humanity affiliates in the United States. She joined Atlanta Habitat in July 2015 with the goal of a new course for the nonprofit homebuilder to become a catalyst for holistic neighborhood revitalization.

NOTE LOCATION CHANGE: Join us June 5, 2019 at The Gathering Spot at 384 Northyards Blvd NE, Atlanta, GA 30313 for this important conversation. Register online: www.AtlantaRegionalHousingForum.org

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