Dear Summit Attendees,

It is my honor to welcome you to the 2019 North Carolina Reentry Summit. This year’s theme, Harnessing Hope for People Returning from Incarceration, aptly describes our mission. The Summit’s focus is sharing information on various evidence-based approaches utilized by faith and other community organizations across the state. Our hope is to increase the success of individuals returning from incarceration to their local communities.

At this Summit, you will have the opportunity to meet, network, and learn from others in the reentry arena in North Carolina. You will have the chance to hear from national partners, as well as service providers who serve returning citizens in their communities within North Carolina. You will leave the Summit with a greater knowledge of the challenges of reentry, as well as a renewed commitment to help ensure that our returning citizens have everything they need to be successful.

Thank each of you for your efforts to reintegrate formerly incarcerated people in North Carolina. I would like to extend a special thank you to the State Reentry Council Collaborative, the Department of Public Safety, and the Office of the Governor, as well as my team at the Department of Justice, for their hard work in bringing a dynamic set of speakers and panelists together for this Summit. Your participation and dedication is a testament to the collective impact we can have on making reentry work for all our returning citizens and our state.

Sincerely,

Josh Stein