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Birmingham Civil Rights Institute's April Walking Tour **Starts Saturday, April 7, 2018**

April 5, 2018---The Birmingham Civil Rights Institute's (BCRI) free April *Milestones Walking Tour* begins on Saturday, April 7 at 10 am. Thereafter, the tour will be offered each Saturday at 10 am through April 28, 2018.

The hourlong tour, which begins at the main entrance to BCRI, allows visitors to experience the culture and history of Birmingham's Historic Civil Rights and Fourth Avenue Business Districts. Barry McNealy, former BCRI Education Assistant and "Master Tour Guide," will lead the excursions. McNealy is a social studies teacher at A.H. Parker High School. The tour is part of the Alabama Tourism Department's Walking tours and is free to the public. For more information, call 328-9696 x 234 or go to www.alabama.travel.

About BCRI:

Birmingham Civil Rights Institute, an affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution, and part of the Birmingham Civil Rights National Monument, is a cultural and educational research center that promotes a comprehensive understanding for the significance of civil rights developments in Birmingham. Celebrating its 25th anniversary in 2017, BCRI reaches more than 150,000 individuals each year through teacher education (including curriculum development and teacher training), group tours, outreach programs (school and community), award-winning after-school and public programs, exhibitions and extensive archival collections.

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