Chamber Preserves Art and Signs from Recent Demonstrations



Yesterday, the U.S. Chamber began a process to preserve the Black Lives Matter signs displayed on construction scaffolding surrounding the organization's historic building.

Situated across from Lafayette Square and currently undergoing a significant restoration, the Chamber's headquarters has become <u>an organic gallery for demonstrators' messages and artwork</u>. The Chamber has partnered with local preservationists to thoughtfully safeguard the artifacts for future exhibits on equality, diversity, and inclusion.

The artwork is being transported into secure storage until the pieces can be safely delivered to museums and institutions. Simultaneously, the Chamber is replacing the artwork with temporary banners featuring photography of the signs and art that have been displayed throughout Lafayette Square.

Local partners will ensure the artifacts are curated in museums and institutions for generations to come—the DC Public Library, Howard University, and other leading museums have already signed on. More details here.

We will continue to drive a national conversation on how the business community can help close opportunity gaps for Black Americans through our Equality of Opportunity Initiative. <u>Get involved.</u>