

Division or unity?

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The alarming divisive rhetoric and damaging ideologies espoused by Mark Robinson compel me as a human being and North Carolinian to speak out. Robinson's alarming and repeated comments regarding the Holocaust, election integrity, and various forms of discrimination are not only deeply troubling, but also disqualifying for any leadership position, let alone one in our diverse state.

Robinson's denial of historical atrocities such as the Holocaust is not only factually incorrect but also heartlessly disrespectful to the millions of lives lost and survivors who endured unimaginable suffering. It demonstrates a dangerous disregard for truth and empathy, qualities essential for any leader entrusted with the well-being of their constituents.

Furthermore, Robinson's refusal to accept the legitimacy of democratic processes undermines the very foundation of our society. In North Carolina and indeed every state, where every voice should be heard and every vote counted, his baseless claims of election fraud only serve to erode public trust and sow discord among citizens.

Robinson's misogynistic, homophobic, and transphobic views have no place in a modern, inclusive society. In a state as diverse as ours, leadership should be a reflection of our collective values of equality, respect, and acceptance. Robinson's rhetoric not only alienates marginalized communities but also perpetuates harmful stereotypes and discrimination.

Leadership requires more than just holding a title; it demands integrity, empathy, and a commitment to representing and uplifting all constituents. Robinson's track record of divisive remarks and harmful beliefs makes him wholly unqualified to serve, let alone lead.

We must stand against intolerance and bigotry in all its forms and demand leadership that truly represents the interests and values of all North Carolinians. Let us remember the importance of unity, compassion, and respect for all, and hold our leaders to the highest standards of integrity and accountability. Division or unity? In November, the choice is ours to make.

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