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*A LICENSED PLUMBER WILL ALWAYS OUT PERFORM
AN UNLICENSED HANDYMAN BUT WILL NEVER TRY TO UNDERBID THEM
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History of World Plumbing Day

The idea was that on March 11 each year people all over the world would pause to reflect on the vital role plumbing plays in preserving their health and way of life – in the case of countries like ours – or in building sustainable disease-free futures for millions in the developing world. And so World Plumbing Day was born, and it is big and getting bigger all the time.

Today, on the continents of Australia, Europe, and Africa events are organized to mark the occasion and draw attention to the importance of good plumbing and sanitation. In China, England, Germany, India, Canada, North, and South America and many more places industry leaders – like us here today – governments, policymakers, and community-based organizations are promoting World Plumbing Day.

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE



Even though each year is different in a wild way it stay the same. Freezing cold and snow to a change to warmth and blossoming of buds just like the changing of a caterpillar to a butterfly. It changes from a slow pace to a fast chance to feast on the grills, but still it is the same feast as last year and future years to come. We have been confined to our homes with loved ones not just by a Virus but by the cold also. We learned to converse with our loved ones like no other time in history, we learn to stop at such a moment as to cause conflict with others. Some, the patients ones remain fixated on politics, arguments, political gossip, and the fault of others. Some obsess on the fault of others, making sure to keep the constant state of frustration and distain towards the human race in order to avoid inner peace of their own future. It is always a delight to hear that the human race is making progress. We must realize that by using a promising manner toward others may be just what the world needs. Maybe these mannerisms could be small, but please remember that the only thing that really matters is to what extent do we separate one person from another. It doesn't matter how small the separation is, it is the fact that you have tried to separate instead of placing them on the same level. Taking the first step in equalization you may find that the familiar is just before your eyes.

President,
Gary W. Howard

FOR FUTURE UNION MEMBERS

Some want to take the S/A/T test for admission into College. Some want to work where their father, mother, sister and brother have worked for their whole life. Others wish to venture into a trade such as Plumbing. The over emphasis on attending a College or University to get ahead in the world could actually compromise how an education system moves forward. As a Journeyman Plumbing and Certified Plumbing Inspector I can tell you from experience being a well-educated Union Plumber I have earned a very good living for me and my family. My education as an apprentice and journeyman plumber can be used to measure what I've learned from High School and working as a labor for a plumbing company. Your education will continue as long as you want to be a Journeyman or Inspector through a Continuing Education Program controlled by the Illinois Department of Public Health Water Quality Plumbing Program. The curriculum of a secondary school like a United Association Trained Apprenticeship Program, will open the doors for you to become a high achiever. You will learn how to use math, weights, measures, theory, physics, global positions systems, blue print interpretations, drafting, excavation, the proper way to install a verity of pipes, welding, using proper tools, codes, laws, applications, sanitation systems, water systems, and get paid while doing so. And when you are finished with apprentice school you may consider attending a United Association School to receive a college degrees as part of their training.

In my opinion becoming a Union Plumber will raise the bar on your earning abilities for academic excellence and your approach on becoming the bread winner of your household. The strength of your education through the United Associations Plumbers Union Local 130 is anchored in the pipe trades with over 350,000 members that will make you Brothers and Sisters for Life. There will be many options in the world for you to consider, but measuring your achievements is an important step in a shared effort on achieving your goal of being successful as a tradesman or tradeswoman or as a tradesperson. Your Unity with others will make you accountable for you and your family's future.

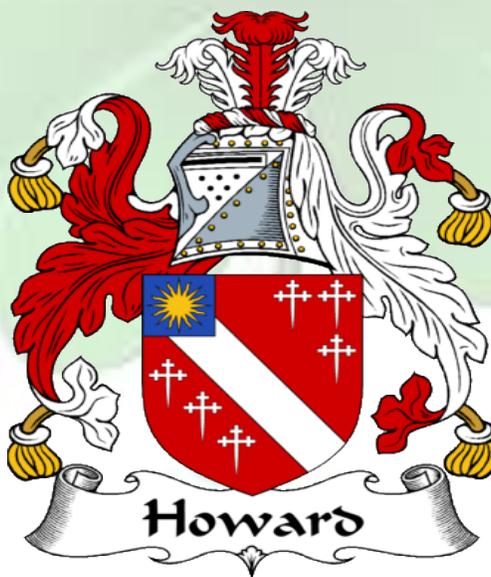
Best Regards,
Gary W. Howard



Burrishoole Bridge County Mayo Ireland

From one to another, which means all because we all are a little bit Irish on St. Patrick's Day. Drink your pint slowly and remember to have a glass of water after five or so, to hydrate yourself.

HAPPY SAINT PATRICK'S DAY TO EVERYONE



Meaning of Symbols & Colors on the Howard Coat of Arms

Azure/Blue Represents Loyalty and Truth.



Gules/Red 'The Martyr's color', signifies Military Fortitude and Magnanimity.



Bend A bearing of High Honor which signifies Defense or Protection.



Canton An Honorable charge

Crosses Often representing Faith or Christian beliefs, possibly relating to the Crusades



Sun Denotes Glory and Splendor.



Howard Family History

The ancient origin of the name Howard was found in the Irish surnames archives.

Many different spelling variations of the same name can be traced back to a single original root. Also, when a bearer of a name emigrated from Ireland it was not uncommon that their original name would be incorrectly transcribed in the record books upon arrival at their new location. Some surnames have dozens of spelling variations. Some surnames were also altered over the years based on how they sounded phonetically, by their sound, and depending on the prevailing political conditions it may have been advantageous to change a name from one language to another. This was especially so in Ireland where most Gaelic names were 'anglicized' at some stage.

Variants of the name Howard include Harward, Heward, O'Hure, Ivers, McKeever, and Mclvor. This is a baptismal name meaning "chief guardian" or son of Herward. This name is of Anglo-Celtic descent spreading to the countries of Ireland, Scotland and Wales in early times and is found in many mediaeval manuscripts throughout the above islands. Example of such are an Elwin le Heyward of Norfolk who was recorded in the "Hundred Rolls". England, in the year 1273 and a William Howard, who was Sheriff of Norwich in the year 1657. Thomas Hawarde and his brother Henry Hawarde were registered in Oxford University in 1568. The name in Ireland is taken from the sept of O'hlohair. The sept was allied to the O'Deas and were located near Mount Callan. They were listed among the principal Thomond septs at the battle of Abbey in the year 1317. This family changed their name to Ivers, Ivers today is mostly found in Louth and is an abbreviation of Maclvor which is an alternate form of the variant MacKeever, a name well known in Counties Monaghan, Tyrone and Derry. The Howard family crest (coat of arms) came into existence many centuries ago. The process of creating these coat of arms began as early as the eleventh century although a form of Proto-Heraldry may have existed in some countries prior to this, including Ireland. The new more formalized art of heraldry made it possible for families and even individual family members to have their own family crest, coat of arms, including Howard descendants.

"It is said that the O'Hure family help teach St. Patrick how to read and write"



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(410 ILCS 35/)

Equitable Restrooms Act.

Sec. 5. Legislative finding. The General Assembly finds that an inequitable situation occurs due to delays which women face in the use of restroom facilities when men are rarely required to wait for the same purpose. Rectifying this inequitable situation is a matter of serious public concern. This Act shall be liberally construed toward that end.

Sec. 10. Definition. As used in this Act, "place of public accommodation" means a publicly or privately owned sports or entertainment arena, stadium, community or convention hall, special event center, amusement facility or a special event center in a public park. **This definition does not include hotels, restaurants or schools.**

Sec. 15. Specifications. A place of public accommodation shall be equipped with the following facilities:

- (1) At least one women's toilet stall for every 200 persons in the maximum legal capacity of the place of public accommodation.
- (2) At least one men's toilet stall for every 700 persons in the maximum legal capacity of the place of public accommodation.
- (3) At least one men's urinal for every 250 persons in the maximum legal capacity of the place of public accommodation.

Sec. 18. Baby changing stations.

(a) As used in this Section:

"Public building" means:

- (1) a place of public accommodation, as that term is defined in Section 10;
- (2) a State building open to the public;
- (3) a retail store of more than 5,000 square feet that contains a restroom open to the public; or
- (4) a restaurant that meets the following criteria:

- (A) the restaurant has an occupancy of at least 60 persons, as determined by the local fire department, fire protection district, building permitting entity, or building inspector;
- (B) the restaurant contains a restroom that is open to the public; and
- (C) the restaurant's entrance is not within 300 feet of a centrally located facility with a baby diaper changing station that is open to the public.

"Restaurant" means a business having sales of ready-to-eat food for immediate consumption comprising at least 51% of the total sales, excluding the sale of liquor.

(b) Every public building with restrooms open and accessible to the public shall have:

- (1) at least one safe, sanitary, convenient, and publicly accessible baby diaper changing station that is accessible to women entering a restroom provided for use by women and at least one safe, sanitary, convenient, and publicly accessible baby diaper changing station that is accessible to men entering a restroom provided for use by men; or

(2) at least one safe, sanitary, convenient, and publicly accessible baby diaper changing station that is accessible to both men and women.

This requirement is in addition to any accommodations that may be made for individuals in accordance with any local, State, or federal laws regarding access for persons with disabilities and to existing fire, health, and safety codes or standards.

(c) Subsection (b) does not apply to the following:

(1) An industrial building, nightclub, or bar that does not permit anyone who is under 18 years of age to enter the premises.

(2) A restroom located in a health facility, if the restroom is intended for the use of one patient or resident at a time.

(3) A renovation, if a local building permitting entity or building inspector determines that the installation of a baby diaper changing station is not feasible or would result in a failure to comply with applicable building standards governing the right of access for persons with disabilities. The permitting entity or building inspector may grant an exemption from the requirements of this subsection under those circumstances.

(d) A public restroom that is open and accessible to the public and includes a baby diaper changing station shall include signage at or near the entrance to the baby changing station indicating the location of the baby diaper changing station.

(e) This Section shall not be enforceable by a private right of action.

Sec. 20. Application. Except for Section 25, this Act applies only to places of public accommodation that commence construction, or that commence alterations exceeding 50% of the entire place of public accommodation, after the effective date of this Act.

(Sec. 25. All-gender single-occupancy restrooms.

(a) In this Section:

"Place of public accommodation" has the same meaning provided in Section 5-101 of the Illinois Human Rights Act.

"Single-occupancy restroom" means a fully enclosed room, with a locking mechanism controlled by the user, containing a sink, toilet stall, and no more than one urinal.

(b) This Section applies to any existing or future places of public accommodation or public buildings.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, every single-occupancy restroom in a place of public accommodation or public building shall be identified as all-gender and designated for use by no more than one person at a time or for family or assisted use. Each single-occupancy restroom shall be outfitted with exterior signage that marks the single-occupancy restroom as a restroom and does not indicate any specific gender.

(d) During any inspection of a place of public accommodation or public building by a health officer or health inspector, the health officer or health inspector may inspect the place of public accommodation or public building to determine whether it complies with this Section.

(e) The Department of Public Health shall adopt rules to implement this Section

PUBLIC HEALTH

(410 ILLINOIS COMPILED STATUTES 35/)

EQUITABLE RESTROOM ACT

Sec. 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Equitable Restrooms Act.

Illinois has passed a law that requires all single-occupancy public bathrooms be labeled as gender-neutral. The Equitable Restrooms Act, which takes effect on January 1, 2020, mandates that all single-occupancy restrooms “in a place of public accommodation or public building” to be identified as “all-gender and designated for use by no more than one person at a time or for family or assisted use...” and “[e]ach single-occupancy restroom shall be outfitted with exterior signage that marks the single-occupancy restroom as a restroom and does not indicate any specific gender.”

Under the Illinois Human Rights Act, places of “public accommodation” is broadly defined. It includes, but is not limited to:

- an inn, hotel, motel, or other place of lodging, except for an establishment located within a building that contains not more than 5 units for rent or hire and that is actually occupied by the proprietor of such establishment as the residence of such proprietor;**
- a restaurant, bar, or other establishment serving food or drink;**
- a motion picture house, theater, concert hall, stadium, or other place of exhibition or entertainment;**
- an auditorium, convention center, lecture hall, or other place of public gathering;**
- a bakery, grocery store, clothing store, hardware store, shopping center, or other sales or rental establishment;**
- a laundromat, dry-cleaner, bank, barber shop, beauty shop, travel service, shoe repair service, funeral parlor, gas station, office of an accountant or lawyer, pharmacy, insurance office, professional office of a health care provider, hospital, or other service establishment;**
- public conveyances on air, water, or land;**
- a terminal, depot, or other station used for specified public transportation;**

Illinois Statute - All Gender Restroom

Relevant portions of the text of the law include:

- a.** This Section applies to any existing or future places of public accommodation or public buildings.
- b.** Notwithstanding any other provision of law, every single-occupancy restroom in a place of public accommodation or public building shall be identified as all-gender and designated for use by no more than one person at a time or for family or assisted use. Each single-occupancy

restroom shall be outfitted with exterior signage that marks the single-occupancy restroom as a restroom and does not indicate any specific gender.

c. During any inspection of a place of public accommodation or public building by a health officer or health inspector, the health officer or health inspector may inspect the place of public accommodation or public building to determine whether it complies with this Section. Importantly, the Act does not require that building occupants/owners modify existing multi-stall bathrooms to create single-occupancy bathrooms or address any changes in the labeling or permissible use of multiple-occupancy restrooms.

Sec. 15. Specifications. A place of public accommodation shall be equipped with the following facilities:

1. At least one women's toilet stall for every 200 persons in the maximum legal capacity of the place of public accommodation.
2. At least one men's stall for every 700 persons in the maximum legal capacity of the place of public accommodation.
3. At least one men's urinal for every 250 persons in the maximum legal capacity of the place of public accommodation.

Sec. 18. Baby changing stations.

a. **As used in this Section:**

"Public building" means":

- (1) a place of public accommodation, as that term is defined in Section 10;
- (2) a State building open to the public;
- (3) a retail store of more than 5,000 square feet that contains a restroom open to the public;

or

(4) a restaurant that meets the following criteria; **(a principle or standard by which something may be judged or decided)**

"Restaurant" means a business having sales of ready-to-eat food for immediate consumption comprising at least 51% of the total sales, excluding the sale of liquor.

(b) Every public building with restrooms open to the public shall have:

1. at least one safe, sanitary, convenient, and publicly accessible baby diaper changing station that is accessible to women entering a restroom provided for use by women and at least one safe, sanitary, convenient, and publicly accessible baby diaper changing station that is accessible to men entering a restroom provided for use by men; or

2. at least one safe and sanitary, convenient, and publicly accessible baby diaper changing station that is accessible to

Both men and women.

This requirement is in addition to accommodations that may be made for individuals in accordance with any local, State, or Federal laws regarding access for persons with disabilities and to existing fire, health, and safety codes or standards.

(c) Subsection (b) does not apply to the following;

1. An industrial building, nightclub or bar that does not permit anyone who is under 18 years of age to enter the premises.

2. A restroom located in a health facility, (*hospitals, clinics, emergency centers, trauma centers, doctors offices*) if the restroom is intended for use of one patient or resident. at a time.

- A. the restaurant has an occupancy of at least 60 persons, as determined by the local fire department, fire protection district, building permitting entity, or building inspector;
- B. the restaurant contains a restroom that is open to the public; and
- C. the restaurant's entrance is not within 300 feet of a centrally located facility with a baby diaper changing station that is open to the public.

3. A renovation, if a local building permitting entity or a building inspector determines that the installation of a diaper changing station is not feasible or would result in a failure to comply with the applicable building standards governing the right to access for persons with disabilities. The permitting entity or building inspector may grant an exemption from the requirements of this subsection under those circumstances.

d. A public restroom that is open and accessible to the public and includes a baby diaper changing station shall include signage at or near the entrance to the baby changing station indicating the location of the baby changing station.

e. This section shall not be enforceable by a private right of action *(Private Right of Action: When Someone Other than the State has the Right to Enforce Rights Under a Statute. A private right of action is when a private person (as opposed to the state) is legally entitled to enforce rights under a statute.)*

Sec. 20. Application. Except for section 25, this Act applies only to places of public accommodation that commence construction, or that commence alterations exceeding 50% of the entire place of public accommodation, after the effective date of this Act. **(which is Jan. 1, 2020)**

Sec. 25. All-gender single- occupancy restrooms

- a. In this section " Place of public accommodation" has the same meaning provided in Section 5-101 of the Illinois Human Rights Act.

" Single-occupancy restroom" means a fully enclosed room, with a locking mechanism controlled by the user, containing a sink, toilet stall, and no more than one urinal.

- b. This section applies to any existing or future place of public accommodation or public buildings.
- c. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, every single-occupancy restroom in a place of public accommodation or public building shall be identified as all-gender and designed for use by no more than one person at a time or for family or assisted use. Each single-occupancy restroom shall be outfitted with exterior signage that marks the single-occupancy restroom and does not indicate any specific gender.
- d. During any inspection of a place of public accommodation or public building by a health officer, or health inspector, the health officer or health inspector may inspect the place of public accommodation or public building to determine whether it complies with this section.
- e. The department of Public Health shall adopt rules to implement this Section.

As a reminder to Illinois employers, on January 1, 2020 “The Equitable Restrooms Act” took effect, requiring all single-occupancy (or one-person) restrooms in a place of public accommodation or public building to be identified as all-gender and designated for use by no more than one person at a time, or for family, or assisted use. This means that any commonly used signage representing “women” or “men” must be removed and replaced with gender-neutral signage.

Many employers are wondering – does this law apply to us? Most likely. The Illinois Human Rights Act broadly interprets a “place of public accommodation” as including but not limited to: an inn, hotel, motel, or other place of lodging (with limited exception); a restaurant, bar, or other establishment serving food or drink; a motion picture house, theater, concert hall, stadium, or other place of exhibition or entertainment; an auditorium, convention center, lecture hall, or other place of public gathering; a bakery, grocery store, clothing store, hardware store, shopping center, or other sales or rental establishment; a laundromat, dry-cleaner, bank, barber shop, beauty shop, travel service, shoe repair service, funeral parlor, gas station, office of an accountant or lawyer, pharmacy, insurance office, professional office of a health care provider, hospital, or other service establishment; public conveyances on air, water, or land; a terminal, depot, or other station used for specified public transportation; a museum, library, gallery, or other place of public display or collection; a park, zoo, amusement park, or other place of recreation; a non-sectarian nursery, day care center, elementary, secondary, undergraduate, or postgraduate school, or other place of education; a senior citizen center, homeless shelter, food bank, non-sectarian adoption agency, or other social service center establishment; and a gymnasium, health spa, bowling alley, golf course, or other place of exercise or recreation.

Even if your business is not specifically identified in the above list, you should assume it qualifies by virtue of the non-exclusive “including but not limited to” language, or by falling within the catch-all bucket of “other service establishments.” If you have not already done so, make sure to swap out those long-standing signs ASAP! Health officers and inspectors are permitted to examine facilities to ensure compliance. Per the Act, additional rules for implementation are forthcoming.

So in conclusion what do we need in a place of public accommodations?

Sec. 15. Specifications. A place of public accommodation shall be equipped with the following facilities:

1. At least one women’s toilet stall for every 200 persons in the maximum legal capacity of the place of public accommodation.

a. toilet stall b. a lavatory c. signage

2. At least one men’s stall for every 700 persons in the maximum legal capacity of the place of public accommodation.

a. a toilet stall b. a lavatory c. a urinal see #3 d. signage

3. At least one men’s urinal for every 250 persons in the maximum legal capacity of the place of public accommodation.

4. A single user all gender bathroom

a. toilet stall b. a lavatory c. one urinal d. changing table e.
Signage

And shall be IAC or ADA compliant als

<https://www.access-board.gov/>

Required Compliance [[§213](#)] *NEW*

Plumbing and building codes address the number and type of toilet rooms and toilet fixtures required for a facility. The ADA Standards, on the other hand, do not address the number of toilet rooms or fixtures required for a facility, but instead specify which ones must be accessible where provided. In new construction, access is required to all toilet rooms, including those for employees. However, where single user toilet rooms are clustered in one location, at least half for each use must comply (§213.2., Ex. 4). In the case of single user portable units, access is required to at least 5% at each cluster, excluding those on construction sites for construction personnel which are fully exempt (§213.2, Ex. 3, §203.2).

Clustered Single User Toilet Rooms

Clustered single user toilet rooms (2 minimum) are those that are next to, or close to, one another. No more than 50% for each use within a cluster must comply. Compliant toilet rooms and portable units must be labeled by the International Symbol of Accessibility unless all are accessible (§213.2, Ex. 3, §216.8)

Unisex (Single-Use or Family) Toilet Rooms [[§213.2](#)]

Where multi-user toilet rooms are provided, accessible unisex toilet rooms cannot serve as a substitute for access to multi-user rooms, except in alterations where making multi-user rooms comply is not technically feasible (§213.2, Ex. 1). Otherwise, where multi-user and unisex restrooms are provided, *both types must comply*. Providing an accessible unisex toilet room in addition to multi-user toilet rooms is helpful for those who use personal care assistants of the opposite sex. The International Building Code (IBC) requires accessible unisex or "family" toilet rooms in assembly and mercantile occupancies where a total of six or more toilet fixtures for each sex is required (§1108.2.1 in the 2000 IBC and §1109.2.1 in later editions). The ADA Standards require that unisex toilet rooms, where provided, have privacy latches and contain at most one lavatory, one water closet, and one urinal (or a second water closet) (§213.2.1).

Toilet room locations; The Standards specify the location of the toilet rooms in two instances.

- Where toilet rooms are provided in multi-story facilities that are exempt from the requirement for vertical access between stories (§206.2.3, Ex. 1 or 2), a toilet room must be provided on a story that is connected to an accessible entrance by an accessible route (§213.1). Toilet rooms on other stories must fully comply as well.
- In alterations where it is technically infeasible to make men's and women's rooms comply, an accessible unisex toilet room is permitted as an alternative if it is located in the same area and on the same floor as the existing toilet room

(§213.2, Ex. 1).

UNITED STATES ACCESS BOARD <https://www.access-board.gov/> **Click on Guidelines & Standards then click on Guide to the Standards**

Chapter 6: Plumbing Elements and Facilities

Drinking Fountains NEW

Toilet Rooms NEW

Bathing Rooms NEW

BREAKDOWN

The Equitable restroom Act is Two Separate Codes plus Others

FIRST CODE

Section 10 defines place of public accommodations and excludes hotels, restaurant or schools

Section 15 tells us we shall have a women, men with a urinal for a place of public accommodations

Section 18. tells us we need baby changing stations under the definitions of a public building

- a. meaning a public accommodations defined in section 10
- b. A State Building open to the public
- c. A retail store of more than 5000 sq. ft. that contains a restroom open to the public or
- d. a restaurant that meets the following criteria:
 - (A) the restaurant has an occupancy of at least 60 persons, as determined by the local fire department, fire protection district, building permitting entity, or building inspector;
 - (B) the restaurant contains a restroom that is open to the public; and (C) the restaurant's entrance is not within 300 feet of a centrally located facility with a baby diaper changing station that is open to the public.

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- (2) at least one safe, sanitary, convenient, and publicly accessible baby diaper changing station that is accessible to both men and women.

This requirement is in addition to any accommodations that may be made for individuals in accordance with any local, State, or federal laws regarding access for persons with disabilities and to existing fire, health, and safety codes or standards.

(c) Subsection (b) does not apply to the following:

- (1) An industrial building, nightclub, or bar that does not permit anyone who is under 18 years of age to enter the premises.
- (2) A restroom located in a health facility, if the restroom is intended for the use of one patient or resident at a time.
- (3) A renovation, if a local building permitting entity or building inspector determines that the installation of a baby diaper changing station is not feasible or would result in a failure to comply with applicable building standards governing the right of access for persons with disabilities. The permitting entity or building inspector may grant an exemption from the requirements of this subsection under those circumstances.

(d) A public restroom that is open and accessible to the public and includes a baby diaper changing station shall include signage at or near the entrance to the baby changing station indicating the location of the baby diaper changing station.

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SECOND CODE

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(b) This Section applies to any existing or future places of public accommodation or public buildings.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, every single-occupancy restroom in a place of public accommodation or public building shall be identified as all-gender and designated for use by no more than one person at a time or for family or assisted use. Each single-occupancy restroom shall be outfitted with exterior signage that marks the single-occupancy restroom as a restroom and does not indicate any specific gender.

(d) During any inspection of a place of public accommodation or public building by a health officer or health inspector, the health officer or health inspector may inspect the place of public accommodation or public building to determine whether it complies with this Section. The Plus other codes include but is not limited to , Illinois Plumbing Code, Illinois Plumbing Licensing Code, Illinois Plumbing Licensing Law, Illinois Accessibility Code, American with Disabilities Act , International Building Code, Environmental Barriers Act,

The following applies to Section 25 of the Equitable Restroom Act only for this ACT

Under the Illinois Human Rights Act, places of "public accommodation" is broadly defined. [It includes, but is not limited to:](#)

an inn, hotel, motel, or other place of lodging, except for an establishment located within a building that contains not more than 5 units for rent or hire and that is actually occupied by the proprietor of such establishment as the residence of such proprietor;

a restaurant, bar, or other establishment serving food or drink;

a motion picture house, theater, concert hall, stadium, or other place of exhibition or entertainment;

an auditorium, convention center, lecture hall, or other place of public gathering;

a bakery, grocery store, clothing store, hardware store, shopping center, or other sales or rental establishment;

a laundromat, dry-cleaner, bank, barber shop, beauty shop, travel service, shoe repair service, funeral parlor, gas station, office of an accountant or lawyer, pharmacy, insurance office, professional office of a health care provider, hospital, or other service establishment; public conveyances on air, water, or land; a terminal, depot, or other station used for specified public transportation;

Jokes for this month

So these two cannibals are eating a clown and one says to the other does this taste funny to you

How do you get down from an elephant? You don't get down from an elephant you get down from a goose.

Did you hear about the cannibal who passed his brother in the woods one day?



Local Union 130 U.A. and American Society of Sanitary Engineering will hold two Product Shows this year. One at the new Campus in Joliet on Sept. 14, 2021. 2114 180, Joliet, IL 60435. And Nov.9, 2021 at the Chicago Campus 1400 W Washington Boulevard, Chicago, IL 60607

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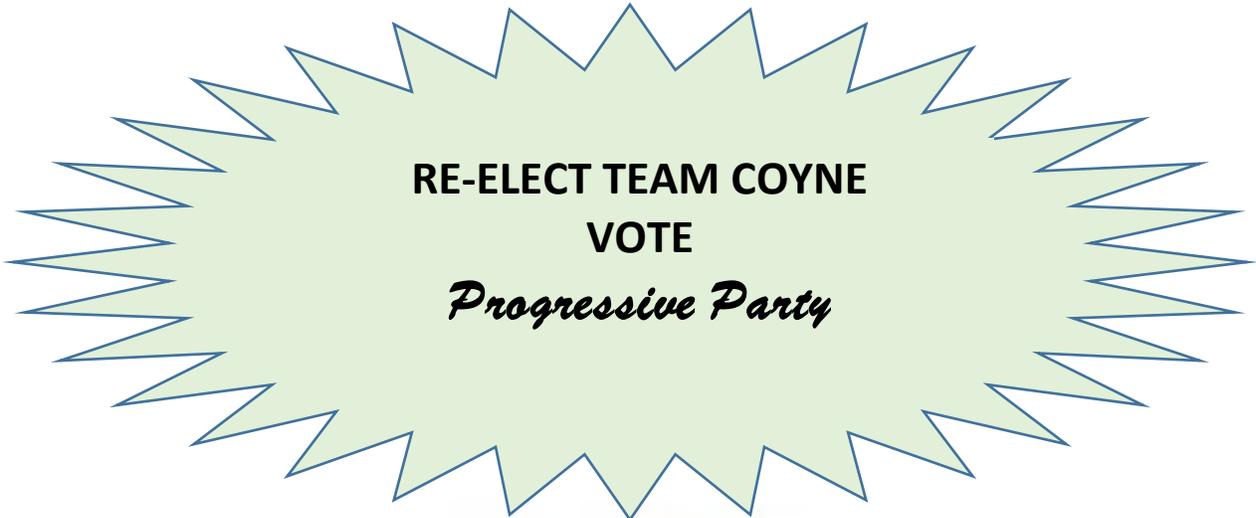
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“IWSH finds those who have the need for clean, sustainable water and sanitation, and the UA has the network throughout the United States and Canada to provide the skilled manpower and resources to work collectively to get the job done,” he said. “Both organizations have political connections that they can pool together to help get dedicated funding for future projects as well.”

The newly announced partnership follows ongoing support from the UA and six UA Local chapters across the United States through the 2018-19 IWSH Community Plumbing Challenge (CPC) projects, when a group of volunteers — including UA Local members — helped bring clean, running water and safe sanitation to a series of homes in the Navajo Nation. UA members have also been sponsored by local chapters to join previous IWSH projects in Indonesia and South Africa.

“We received a tremendous amount of support from the membership in what we did at Navajo Nation in New Mexico and Arizona,” Bigley added. “Many have asked to be a participant in the next IWSH project, so we thought that this was a charity that fit well with what our membership believes, which is everyone in the world deserves clean water and sanitation.”

IWSH Managing Director Seán Kearney applauded the increasingly important role UA members and locals have played in recent IWSH projects.

“World-class skills, labor and expertise from the UA are exactly what is needed to ensure our most vulnerable populations and community partners receive the best service,” he said. “We will continue to build this partnership together through upcoming IWSH activities, highlighting the importance of the plumbing industry in protecting public health and safety in North America and across the world.”

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