



December Newsletter

Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and Happy New Year. Too often we are caught up in "political correctness" and miss the reason for the season. I am proud to wish you great tidings of joy and hope you will pass it along. We love to celebrate Christmas in the Albers house and have many wonderful traditions. I respect all faiths and to my Jewish friends let the lights lead your way to a Happy Hanukkah. For me, Christmas is a day of celebration in remembrance of the Lord giving us his only son. It's in this spirit that we spend the season preparing for his arrival and giving gifts to others. While we preoccupy ourselves with shopping for the perfect gift for family and friends, we must remember that the best gift we can give is service to another.

2020 has been quite a year. This New Year's Eve will be more profound for many as we look forward to a fresh start in 2021. While the challenges were abundant, there are also blessings to share. Our oldest son was married, and we welcomed our new daughter-in-law. Our youngest son went off to college, I won re-election and Kari & I became empty nesters. It was a new chapter for our lives; and we are grateful.

Senate Committee Meetings

Our Georgia State Senate Oversight Committee as well as Judiciary Sub Committee will both hold hearings on Thursday, 12/3 at 9:30 am and 1:00 pm respectively in regards to concerns and questions with the election. Sworn testimony and statements will be taken and acted upon accordingly. The election process is sacred and must be protected. Live broadcasts of the committee meetings can be viewed here: <http://www.legis.ga.gov>.

I am working on election reforms and will sponsor legislation to improve the process, transparency and auditing.



Enough bad behavior in 2020...

The year 2020 has brought out the best and worst in our fellow Americans. I was inspired by the selfless acts of ordinary people in our state doing extraordinary things to help each other during a pandemic. It was a true reflection of the American spirit.

In the summer, we watched peaceful protests turn into riots, looting and violence. Now we are seeing threats to those running our elections. Let me be very clear - **YOU ARE WRONG** if you are resorting to these illegal activities. This unlawful behavior and action is un-American and a disgrace. As the Senate Chairman of Public

Safety, I will work with the proper authorities to arrest and prosecute anyone who breaks the law.

Our Military and First Responders have sacrificed and laid down their lives to provide freedom and liberty. Let's honor them with a civil discourse and remember we are all Americans and set a good example for our future generations.



2021 Legislative Session

On January 11, 2021 we will be sworn in for the next two year legislative biennial. Work continues all year round on committees, budgets, constituent services, new legislation preparation, etc. I have drafted several bills and will provide more specific updates in future editions. Access will still be limited in the Capitol with Covid-19. You can watch the Senate session and committees on the website: <http://www.legis.ga.gov>. Thank you again for giving me the opportunity to serve you.



Great Job News in Georgia

In October, Georgia had another record drop in unemployment to 4.5% and now the 8th best in the nation! This is extraordinary and critical to supporting our businesses, families, budgets, etc.



Election Runoff - January 5th

There will be a runoff election on Tuesday, January 5th for US Senator Perdue, Loeffler and Public Service Commissioner Lauren McDonald all of whom I fully support. Let me tell you why...

In Georgia, most of our issues are non-partisan and we have an excellent track record of success. In Washington DC, most issues are polarizing and I believe in our founding fathers' commitment to balance with a separation of powers. No matter your political ideology, I believe a balance of power and compromise is the best solution for our federal counterparts. Therefore, I hope you will join me in supporting US Senator Perdue and Loeffler.



Numbers across the state, nation and globe continue to increase as was expected this fall. Please do your part and mask up, wash your hands, maintain social distancing and follow public health guidelines. The vaccine is coming and we will beat this disease once and for all.

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TOWN HALL

CONFERENCE CALL



Senator John Albers

Join Senator John Albers and Dr. Lynn Paxton with the Fulton County Board of Health for a legislative briefing and update on Covid-19 in Georgia.

**Thursday
December 10th
5:00 pm**

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