



## February 2020 Newsletter

The legislative session is well underway and Georgia continues to lead the nation in many ways, including ten (10) straight years of economic growth! We have the lowest unemployment in history, record employment numbers, increased wages, etc. This did not happen by accident. It was citizens, businesses and government working together and making a historic impact on the lives of Georgia families!

Later this month, Kari and I will celebrate our 27th wedding anniversary. Kari has done an incredible job creating scrapbooks for our family. We recently looked at pictures of the first home we bought. We had a very humble beginning and never forget our roots. We worked hard to afford the very basics with a combined 8 jobs between us! We knew hard work and determination would help us achieve our goals. We are still working hard and proud of our marriage and family.



### A Local Hero

My dear friend Roger Wise has been a model of servant leadership throughout his life. We have worked together on numerous issues over the last decade helping veterans, active duty military, first responders, children, families, small businesses and more.

His storied history and service in the US Army was recognized as a member of the Georgia Military Hall of Fame. This extraordinary recognition is well deserved and earned. I am very proud of Roger and thankful for his friendship and commitment to others.

Roger and his wife Claire celebrated their 48th wedding anniversary on the day we recognized his induction at the Capitol. He was surrounded by his family and friends and it brought tears of joy and thanksgiving.

Thank you Roger for being a true American hero!



## End Human Trafficking

I have always made the dismantling of human trafficking a top priority. The first bill I authored was in 2014, SB 358 partnering with my friend Dave McCleary and Rotary International. As the Chairman of Public Safety in the Senate, I am continuing my passion to serve and protect.

The Grace Commission to help combat and end human trafficking was formed in 2019. I will be sponsoring legislation in the Senate on behalf of Governor Brian Kemp and first lady Marty Kemp which the commission has created. We are sending a clear message to those who operate in this dark world: you can run, but you cannot hide.



## Lowering College Tuition & Fees

The cost of college tuition and fees has risen at an alarming rate over the years. In fact, the average annual increase in college tuition from 1980-2014 grew by nearly 260% compared to the nearly 120% increase in all consumer items. This is more than double. When you add in fees for college, the costs skyrocket even higher.

I support all forms of education and believe we need our colleges and universities to start acting more like a business - so we can get more business out of our colleges and universities... I sponsored SR 588 calling on the board of regents to lower tuition and fees for in-state students.



## What is John working on?

I have authored and sponsored several important bills this legislative session. Here are some of the highlights:

- Ending surprise medical billing
- Measuring tax credits
- Teacher pay raises
- Senior citizen protection
- Supporting Police, Fire & Veterans



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