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PARTY: Democratic
SEEKING: Congress, District 7



Why are you seeking your office?

I never planned to run for office; I was a businessman, a family man. Like Simon in the Bible, I was a bystander. Last year's elections convinced me that I must stand up and fight. Washington fails our most vulnerable citizens and thus fails all of us. We trusted our government to keep their word when it comes to healthcare, Social Security, Medicare and our civil liberties. Yet Congress added 2 trillion dollars to the debt just this year alone. I will fight to keep our promises to our seniors, our hard-working families, our veterans, our Dreamers and our children.

What do you expect to accomplish if elected?

Stop the madness, end the chaos and gridlock and bring back common sense and integrity to Washington. We must work together to fix our healthcare system - ensure access to quality healthcare, keep premiums and deductibles affordable and provide coverage that simply works. Negotiate lower prescription drug prices for Medicare and Medicaid. Protect Social Security so hard working families can retire in dignity. Provide a pathway to citizenship for "Dreamers." Commit federal funding for a universal pre-k program, enhance college scholarships, like Pell grants, and reduce interest rates on student loans. Fight for veterans. Represent Gwinnett and Forsyth Counties.

What distinguishes your candidacy?

It's not just knowing the right answer, it's getting the right results. As a first generation Korean American, I have a deep understanding of our diverse communities and will ensure our core values are the guiding policies of our nation. I have devoted my life to helping young people succeed and building a national education business with over 200 offices in red and blue states. I will fight for education and healthcare access. The deficit is out of control. I know how to budget and meet payroll. I'm an educator, consensus builder and I will get results.

How can we have safer schools?

Safe schools starts with safe communities. Pass universal background checks, keep military style weapons off the street, close gun-show loophole. We can support the second amendment, work with responsible gun owners and pass gun reform. Demand government agencies share information. Allow family members and law enforcement to petition court to deny firearm possession for those considered

harmful to themselves or others. People on terrorist watch lists, violent felons and domestic abusers should not be able to buy a gun. Examine technology to detect weapons and explosives without turning campuses into an armed camp. Together we can keep our students safe.

Pick one issue. Expand on how you will address it.

Education is essential to a great democracy. Exceptional pre-K through affordable college is key to our children's and our country's future. A well trained workforce is vital to growing our economy, makes us less dependent on government and sustains vibrant communities. Every generation, politicians say they will improve education. But they never do. I built a national business helping students get the higher education they need. I know where the system has failed and how we can improve. Money isn't the answer. It's how we educate, plan, test and prepare our graduates to compete and provide for their families.

Please give a 100 word summary on your background.

I was born and raised in Baltimore; worked my way through Harvard studying economic policy. For two decades, I built a national business, C2 Education, employing over 1000 people in metro Atlanta. I moved the national headquarters to Duluth in 2005. I'm married with three young children. I am a Deacon in my church. I've served on Boards and youth commissions. Today I publish a national literary magazine by teens for teens. For most of my life, I focused on faith, family, and work. I promise to provide this same dedication to get real results that improves your life.