

NAME: Fran Millar
PARTY: Republican
SEEKING: Georgia Senate, District 40



Why are you seeking your office?

I have served 8 years in the Senate and have worked in Peachtree Corners with your leadership and want to continue to help improve people's lifestyle. I carried the legislation that allowed you the opportunity for cityhood. Tax relief for Peachtree Corners' citizens is a priority and I want to bring my Fulton County bill to Gwinnett that caps your home value increase for school tax - Fulton School Board approved this. I want to continue our work in helping the disabled community. We passed autism, savings plans and hearing aid legislation. I plan to bring legislation for screening for(100)

What do you expect to accomplish if elected?

As the education Senator I want to continue my work on scholarships for low income students. GA Gwinnett College loses about 800 students between August registration and September classes because a student can't come up with \$800. I passed the framework legislation for this program last year and am working out the details with Student Finance. Statewide we can give 25000 more students the opportunity to get meaningful credentials for the workforce for about a \$40 million investment. See other priorities.

What distinguishes your candidacy?

I have been endorsed by The Mayor, City Council members except 1, the Commissioner, School Board member, and School Superintendent. I actually have a record of accomplishment and don't rely on sound bites and slogans. I serve on the Rules committee which decides what bills we actually take up. Recent honors include Legislator of the Year by Georgia Senior Living Association, the Physical Therapy Association, and Friend of Housing Award. I continue to get an A+ rating from the Ga Chamber and was honored in the recent past with Friend of Peachtree Corners from United Peachtree Corners Civic Association.

What are the key issues in your race?

I serve on the Study committee on School Safety and support arming our trained resource officers, NOT teachers. I opposed guns on college campuses and received Candidate distinction from Moms Demand Action Gun Sense. We have traveled throughout the state and will be issuing recommendations in November. The State can increase funding and allow the local jurisdictions to use SPLOST money on safety items. I am working in my County with my local high school to staff it with a mental health counselor and I believe this is critical. Finally any tip line MUST be anonymous.

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

I have worked extensively in DeKalb to solve problems and get bipartisan support. It is why the former Democratic CEO Liane Levetan has endorsed me and the current Democratic CEO Mike Thurmond praises me for working with him on tax relief and SPLOST. We need this type of cooperation in Gwinnett with the changing demographics and I believe I can provide the type of leadership necessary to make it happen. Let's find common solutions on tax relief, transit, and education that work for all our citizens.

Please give a 100 word summary on your background.

I am married with 3 children and 7 grandchildren. I chair the Southern Regional Education Board Legislative Advisory Group (elected by Democrats and Republicans from 16 states). I also have served on numerous Education Commissions and Boards. Locally I attend Dunwoody United Methodist (on Staff Parish), Spruill Center for the Arts board member, and on capital campaign for the Dunwoody Nature Center.