2020 GwinnettForum candidate questionnaire

NAME: Clint Dixon PARTY: Republican

SEEKING: Senate District 45

1. Why are you seeking your office?

I'm running for Senate because we need a State Senator with fresh ideas, real world experience, and common sense – determined to put our families first. I am committed to Gwinnett – not petty politics or special interests. As a husband and father, I want to keep Gwinnett a great place to live for every family. I confront everything in life with hard work and determination. It's how my family and I survived the Great Recession in the real estate business. And it's the same tenacity I will bring to putting our families first and ensuring our brightest days are ahead.

2. What do you expect to accomplish if elected?

I launched my campaign on the promise to put Gwinnett Families First with a plan to keep families safe from gangs and human trafficking, protect our schools, teachers, and students, and support continued efforts to lower healthcare costs. While those remain my priorities, with the impact the coronavirus pandemic has had on our economy, my first mission will be to continue efforts to combat COVID-19 and use my real-world experience to get our economy roaring again and our people back to work. Additionally, we will have to restore any funding lost due to revenue shortfalls in areas like public safety, (100)

3. What distinguishes your candidacy?

I offer new, energetic, conservative leadership with fresh ideas. Additionally, I have proven through my campaign and service in our community that I am willing to listen, talk directly to the people, and put them first. I have talked to thousands of voters and the feedback I have heard in those conversations will fuel my focus. Finally, these uncertain times require real, common sense leadership. Having worked in real estate during the Great Recession, I've faced tough times like so many families. I can bring that real-life experience to work to ensure we come through this pandemic stronger on the (100)

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

The response to COVID, especially in how we get our economy back on track and respond to budget shortfalls will be the immediate priority. Beyond that, I want to keep Gwinnett a great place to live for every family. This is going to require a focus on several issues – innovative transportation solutions that actually reduce congestion, supporting law enforcement to keep our families safe with ensuring fair treatment for all citizens, protecting our schools and lowering health insurance

costs. Most importantly, I am running to put families first – to listen to the people and address THEIR concerns.

5. Suggest ways to jump-start the economy after COVID-19.

The answer isn't radical ideas like higher taxes, government healthcare, and forced unionization. Georgia made the right decision to safely reopen our economy which has positioned our state better than many others. We must continue our safe reopening and pursue reforms and resources needed for our small businesses to survive. We should also attract new industries and jobs from states that are still forcing businesses to remain shut down Finally, it's time to bring new business and jobs to Georgia. We need a plan to start building things here again – starting with attracting pharmaceutical and medical supply manufacturing here.

6. Please give a 100 word summary on your background

I was born and raised in Gwinnett County. I have built my career in the real estate business. I previously served on the Gwinnett County Planning Commission. My wife Hayden and I are the proud parents of three children that attend Buford City Schools. We reside in Buford.

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