

**NAME: Mike Ford**  
**PARTY: Democratic**  
**SEEKING: U.S. Congress, 9<sup>th</sup>**

**1. Why are you seeking you office?**

People of the 9<sup>th</sup> District deserve a representative who will preserve our Democracy, defend our freedoms and tell the truth. Our Congressman must have and honor our Democratic values. Our Congressman cannot pretend January 6<sup>th</sup> was a “normal tourist visit” when we see photos of him barricading the doors against the attack of these “tourists.” Our Congressman must defend the right of women to have the freedom to make their own health care decisions. Our congressman must honor his oath to preserve, protect and defend our Constitution. I will bring our Democratic values to the office of 9<sup>th</sup> District Congressman.

**2. What do you expect to accomplish if elected?**

When elected, I will bring common sense, honesty and moderation to a very polarized congress. I will restore the values of our Democratic Republic. One of 435 members, I will pass legislation that benefits everyone, not just special interests and extremists. I will ensure that our bill of rights will be honored and preserved for all Americans. I have a simple, down to earth plan: work for good government. Extremists in Congress have made good government almost impossible. I will bring our Georgia values of wisdom, justice and moderation to Congress.

**3. What distinguishes your candidacy?**

Freedom, liberty and Democracy are essential values. Government must not deny a woman her right to make her own health care decisions. My opponent says “no abortions – no exceptions” – and would enforce his extremist plan by Federal Law. That’s wrong. Defending the rights of people for 46 years, I have seen how special interests demand and get special rights. That’s wrong. I will not vote against affordable insulin, good health care or the defense of the Ukraine. Global warming is real. My values are the values of the individual citizens of the 9<sup>th</sup> District – not those of special interests.

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

American Democracy is under attack. We cannot let American Democracy perish. America is the greatest experiment in freedom that the world has ever seen. To persuade Americans to surrender our freedom, anti-Americans create a boogeyman to scare us. Anti-American extremists offered the boogeyman of a stolen election – but have no proof to offer in court. These anti-American extremists constantly offer other boogeymen – from Jewish space lasers to immigrants seeking asylum. I will always expose the lies and half-truths of these extremists. I will never surrender our freedom and liberty to these anti-American extremists who would steal our American Democracy.

**5. What are your ideas on curbing all the many area-wide shootings?**

Horrific acts of terrorism using firearms must be stopped. These are domestic terrorist acts – designed to create terror. Restricting access to firearms cannot eliminate domestic terrorists – but does impact the Constitutional right to keep and bear arms. We know that almost all Americans exercise their Constitutional rights responsibly. We have the resources in place to identify and stop these psychotic and criminal terrorists. We know that Homeland, the FBI, and the NSA find and protect us from jihadists and other domestic terrorist plots. We can make great progress if we use these and our other resources carefully and intelligently.

**6. Please give a 100 word summary on your background.**

A native Georgian, I served in Vietnam, am a private pilot, worked my way through law school, and practiced law for 46 years. Now I'm running for an office that I never wanted. Since Army enlistment in 1965, I've sworn to support, protect, and defend our Constitution many times. The promise and duty of that oath is sacred to me. So now I'm running for Congress – not because I want or need the job – and not because of some special interest. I'm running because it is my duty to represent the best interests of the citizens of the 9<sup>th</sup> District.