NAME: Pedro Marin

PARTY: Democratic

SEEKING: House District 96

1. Why are you seeking your office?

I have the Honor that for the last 20 years I have represented one of the Most Diverse District in the State of Georgia. I had the opportunity to see the many changes and challenges that my District has gone through. I have worked tirelessly to bridge the divides, to increase diversity, but more importantly to ensure that our county is truly inclusive of all citizens that call Gwinnett home. As a State Representative, I will continue working everyday to strengthen all communities that make this a truly Great State.

2. What do you expect to accomplish if elected?

I want to be able to continue to provide the necessary Resources for the well being of my Constituents and all Georgians. It could be either bringing initiatives to provide more Quality Education plus more funding for our Public Schools, Better Access to Health Care and still continue the fight for Voting Rights.

We have also to connect all the Economic Opportunities to our Small Business Owners as we continue the dialogue and share ideas on how to spur Smart economic growth in Georgia by establishing business relationships with the World.

3. What distinguishes your candidacy?

A true leader must have or be able to achieve three things. First, they must have an attentive ear and be a good listener, second, they must have vision and foresight, and finally, they must have the courage to execute. Being an elected official is not easy and requires a lot of personal sacrifice. I have the county's best interest at heart, I am someone, who will never shy away from hard work, I am someone who is committed to ensuring that our county continues to be a beacon of success, someone who will ensure that every voice and community (100)

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

As our State becomes more Diverse, it is important that we capitalize on this new reality. It is an asset that we have yet fully appreciate and benefited from. The growth of our populations has opened up new opportunities to experience the American Dream. As we prepare for a new era and create a new history, let's be sure the needs and concerns of our respective communities are taken seriously and addressed accordingly. We should always remember that our diversity is our strength and it is true uniting all people that will be able to achieve our destiny. Change can (100)

5. What are your ideas on curbing all the many area-wide shooting

Georgia has some of the weakest gun laws in the country. The legislature continues to introduce harmful legislation, including bills to allow the carry of guns in sensitive places and recently passing permitless carry legislation.

In an average year, 1,693 people die and 4,492 are wounded by guns in Georgia. Georgia has the 9th-highest rate of gun violence in the US.

As a State Representative, I will work with anyone to make our streets safer now, and for our children, by cracking down on gun trafficking, closing loopholes in the law that allow criminals to legally buy guns.

6.Please give a summary on your background.

Born and raised in Puerto Rico, he arrived in Georgia in 1995 as a Corporate transfer. He has leveraged his skills in marketing, strategic planning, relationship building, negotiation, and intercultural relations to build a successful consultancy firm while also continually lending his talents to bring together diverse communities to address issues of mutual concern. His leadership has been recognized by numerous local, State and National organizations. He is a former member of the Gwinnett United Way, Gwinnett Habitat for Humanity, and currently a Board member for the Selective Service System among others. Has been married to Nereida for 39 years (100)