

**NAME: Matt Reeves**  
**PARTY: Republican**  
**SEEKING: House District 99**

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

To fight for Gwinnett's Taxpayers. Inflation and higher property taxes are hurting homeowners in Suwanee, Sugar Hill and Duluth. I will fight for more fiscal conservatism at the state level to combat inflation and spending. Jobs and work are the answer, not more government spending and regulation. Half our state budget is spent on education, and I want to make sure that our schools focus on academic excellence. Public safety and law enforcement should be respected and fully supported, and not disrespected and defunded. Our area deserves an effective advocate for our quality of life, in the House.

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

Increase Gwinnett's Homestead Exemption and make property tax value appeal procedures fairer to homeowners. Keep Georgia as a Number One Place to Do Business, and not become more like New Jersey or other states with high tax burdens and big government. Fight inflation at the state level with everything in Georgia's power, by getting back to the basics of work and a market economy, rather than excessive spending and giveaways. Fight hard for our schools, public safety, and the cities of Suwanee, Sugar Hill and Duluth. Promote personal responsibility, and Freedom.

**3. What distinguishes your candidacy?**

As Counsel for Chairman Wendell Willard of the House Judiciary Committee and thereafter as a member of the Evidence Code Commission, I got a front row seat in the creation of new cities in North Fulton and North DeKalb to combat dysfunctional big government there, and the groundwork for the creation of Peachtree Corners which is now Gwinnett's most populous city. That experience, and two decades problem-solving as a business and real estate lawyer at Andersen, Tate & Carr, the largest full-service law firm in the area, have equipped me to be an effective advocate for taxpayers and homeowners.

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

Georgians are being hammered by the highest inflation in 40 years, and Gwinnett taxpayers are getting hit with higher property tax bills at the same time. At the end of the month, our neighbors, particularly seniors and working families, are struggling to make ends meet due to this mess. I will spend the majority of my time seeking ways to combat

inflation and taxes at the state and local level, by fighting for pro-jobs and pro-work policies and fiscal conservatism, and not more spending and big government.

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

Crime in Atlanta has risen around 60% since 2019 for murder and other serious offenses. I will fight for law-abiding citizens, and will be tough on criminals who commit gun crimes and other violent offenses. I was upset at a shooting at an apartment complex in Suwanee this summer, and at a gas station in Peachtree Corners. Criminals have become emboldened in recent years. We need to fight back and support our police departments in Suwanee, Duluth, Gwinnett County, the State Patrol, and School Resource Officers to combat crime, drugs and gangs as a lifestyle.

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

My wife Suzette and I have lived in Duluth for nearly two decades. Our son is in college at Georgia Military College, our daughters are in 10<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade, and my mother-in-law who is a retired teacher, lives nearby. I graduated from Mercer University and UGA Law School. Faith is important, and my family are active members of Perimeter Church. My hero is my grandfather, who fought in World War II as a young man, did not go to college, but put four children through college, was married for over 50 years and was a Baptist deacon.