

NAME: Om Duggal

PARTY: Democratic

SEEKING: Ga. House, District 99

1. Why are you seeking office?

Due to lived experiences I decided to run for office and I am committed to supporting affordable housing, Medicaid expansion, assisting entrepreneurs and small businesses, as well as looking out for the best interests of immigrant and minority families. I am committed to support public schools and higher education because I saw my children work diligently towards enhancing their own educational endeavors and seeing the financial hardship on families to obtain college degree. I believe in freedom, and believe that the American Dream is made possible by empowering our citizens. I would carefully weigh any proposed legislation or policies to (100).

2. What do you expect to accomplish if elected?

I will work on the economy to lower taxes by expanding the homestead exemption and value offset exemption. I will also work to deliver income tax relief. I will also work on legislation to pay living wages including raise pay for public safety, teachers, and government workers.

I will work to protect our civil rights and freedoms, women's reproductive rights are under attack by Republicans and I will protect the rights of women to full healthcare access.

I will work to make voting transparent and accessible for every eligible voter. It is harmful to our state to allow a small (100).

3. What distinguishes you candidacy?

The top reasons that Gwinnett is so successfully is because it is the most diverse county in Georgia. As a legislator I will have the willingness to listen to my constituents with all ideas and political views, and have faith that we can compromise on the similarities that we share including seeking the best for Georgia and love of America. That is why I am committed to open dialogue and communication with all constituents. I will make sure to be available for meetings and to listen to my district. We are stronger as a State and a Nation when we (100).

4. What do you expect to accomplish if elected?

My biggest priority is delivering tax relief for Georgians at a time of high inflation and significant cost of living increases. Putting money back into the pocket of the hard working people of our state should be a priority as it relates to the budget surplus. Secondary priorities include increasing pay for teachers and law enforcement professionals, and making investments in our education and healthcare systems to improve the quality of education and healthcare in Georgia. I believe in being fiscally responsible and protecting the financial health of our state.

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

First, by working with local law enforcement to determine funding needs and also community education needs. As I have mentioned, that is why I will also work closely with local government that are to be addressing local issues. I want to highlight the work that the county and cities do to ensure our public safety and dispel any misinformation about crime numbers. In fact, crime considered violent in nature has trended downward in the past two years. Another fact to consider is that gun safety reforms must be passed to address the gun shootings that we unfortunate do experience.

6. Give a 100 word summary on your background.

I am an entrepreneur who will bring a business oriented and diverse perspective to the legislature. I immigrated from New Delhi, India and chose to raise my family and support my parents in Georgia because of the opportunities that this state, and Gwinnett County offers. Having worked in both manufacturing and in the commercial and residential property business, developing workforce and senior housing, I have learned how business works in our state, and the pressures that everyday families and business owners are facing. I want to apply those skills as a State Legislature to improve our quality of life.