# Guide to the November 2020 Elections Runoff Edition

### **US Senate**



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MARIETTA-ROSWELL ALUMNAE CHAPTER

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#### About Marietta-Roswell Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

The Marietta-Roswell Alumnae Chapter (MRAC) of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. was chartered February 22, 1986. MRAC is a service organization with programming addressing the diverse needs of the communities we serve, including, but not limited to, college scholarship programs for young women; educational programs for girls ages 9-18; an economic summit and health fair; and programs focused on social action and political awareness and involvement. With a membership of more than 800 college-educated women, we strive to embody the core principles of Sisterhood, Scholarship and Service by planning and executing programs and events that make an impact in Cobb, North Fulton, and Cherokee Counties.

#### Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Federal Legislative Priorities

Comprehensive Immigration Reform	Enact comprehensive immigration reform that treats immigrants fairly and preserves families Enact federal policy that recognizes the extensive contributions that immigrants make to the American culture and economy
Criminal Justice Reform	Reform sentencing to eliminate racial and ethnic disparities Enact comprehensive reintegration strategies to interrupt the costly cycle of recidivism Enact incentives to promote fair policing and end excessive use of force De-criminalize possession of cannabis
Economic Justice	Expand Medicaid and resist efforts to use block grants to strip health care from disabled and/or low-income children, elderly and disabled Americans. By capping spending on Medicaid and enabling states to weaken the reach of the program, the block grant plan will jeopardize medical access for millions, including those who gained coverage in states that chose Medicaid expansion. The Administration's block grant program puts countless families at risk and also contradicts Congressional intent for Medicaid.  Protect the powers of the Consumer Finance Protection Bureau  Raise the Federal minimum wage to \$15/hour  Encourage innovation by bringing high-speed Internet to every corner of America  Support gender pay equity and require federal contractors to eliminate gender disparities in compensation; assure a minimum level of paid family leave, without pre-empting state/local protections



Health Care	Resist attacks on reproductive rights Bring down the cost of prescription drugs Eliminate health disparities
Sensible Gun Violence Prevention Measures	Appropriate funding to study the causes and cures of gun violence, including economic deprivation, suicide, gun safety education and entertainment that glorifies gratuitous violence Raise the age of gun purchase to twenty-one
Student Loan Debt Crisis	Student loan debt has reached astronomical levels in the U.S., with 44.2 million Americans carrying an estimated \$1.48 trillion in education debt. The average class of 2017 graduates left school with \$39,400 in student loans. The financial burden of student loan debt falls heaviest on women and people of color. According to an analysis by the American Association of University Women (AAUW), women own nearly two-thirds of student loan debt in the U.S., totaling almost \$900 billion. According to the National Center for Education Statistics, 86.8 percent of black students borrow federal loans to pay for attendance at four-year colleges and are more likely to graduate with higher levels of debt than white students, and they're also more likely to default on their loans.
Voting Rights	Incentivize nonpartisan redistricting Enforce laws against racial gerrymandering and other practices and procedures that inhibit the right to vote Restore and expand the protections of the Voting Rights Act

Federal Legislative Priorities as identified during Delta Days in the Nation's Capital (February 22-25, 2020).



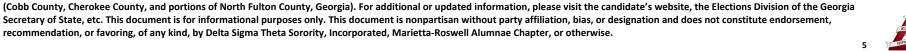
#### **U.S. Senate Candidates (Georgia)**

Party	Democrat	Republican	Democrat	Republican
	Jon Ossoff	David Perdue (Incumbent)	Raphael Warnock	Kelly Loeffler (Incumbent)
Background	<ul> <li>B.S., Georgetown Univ., MS.         London School of Economics</li> <li>National Security Aide - Sen         Hank Johnson(GA-D).Handled         defense, foreign affairs,         intelligence, and economic         policy</li> <li>CEO, Insight TWI, Investigative         Journalism Media Executive         since 2013</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>B.S., Georgia Tech</li> <li>Former CEO, Reebok Brands, and Dollar General Stores</li> <li>Served as US Senator since 2014 on US Armed Services, Banking, Budget, and Foreign Relations committees</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>B.S., Morehouse College,         M.Div., M.Phil., and Ph.D. from         Union Theological Seminary,         Atlanta, Georgia.</li> <li>Senior Pastor, Ebenezer         Baptist Church beginning 2005</li> <li>Graduated from the Leadership         Program sponsored by the         Greater Baltimore Committee,         The Summer Leadership         Institute of Harvard University,         and Leadership Atlanta</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>B.S., Gies College of Business, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign</li> <li>MBA, Depaul University</li> <li>Businesswoman</li> <li>Co-Owner, Atlanta Dream Women's Basketball Team, WNBA</li> <li>Significant stockholder in Intercontinental Exchange, which owns the New York Stock Exchange. Loeffler's husband is CEO.</li> </ul>
Website	electjon.com	perduesenate.com	warnockforgeorgia.com	<u>kellyforsenate.com</u>



Black Lives Matter	■ Supports passing a New Civil Rights Act that strengthens civil rights laws and advances comprehensive criminal justice reform ■ Believes that race and class disparities in policing, prosecution, and sentencing must be ended	■ Calls Black Lives Matter protesters 'Thugs' ■ Vigorously pushed a pro-law enforcement message while trying to link democratic opponents with the 'defund police' push.	■ Believes Black Lives Matter is a "movement for justice".	■ Believes that "The radical 'defund the police' movement and the riots are despicable. This radical movement has caused police to be targets." ■ Believes The Black Lives Matter political organization wants to defund police, abolish the nuclear family, and promote violence in our communities; that this is a Democrat-endorsed anarchy. ■ "I've worked hard against this movement in the Senate. Defund cities that defund the police."
COVID-19	<ul> <li>Increase ICU capacity, medical equipment and protective gear.</li> <li>Utilize Army Corps of Engineers, military logistical and medical units, and the Defense Production Act as necessary to build hospital capacity and properly equip medical teams.</li> <li>Provide emergency funding to assist people and businesses</li> <li>Widespread testing and speed up containment</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Supports reopening of businesses and schools to reopen the economy</li> <li>Encourages Georgians to do their part by washing hands, social distance, and wear masks</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Promotes listening to the experts to get the coronavirus under control</li> <li>Supports robust testing, contact tracing, and basic preventive safety like the use of face masks</li> </ul>	■ "Georgians are following the guidelines and staying safewe will continue to flatten the curve and defeat the virus."

Content as of November 14, 2020. The information provided herein serves as a non-exhaustive list of qualifying candidates and/or races in the Marietta-Roswell Alumnae Chapter service area





Criminal Justice Reform	<ul> <li>Reverse the militarization of local police forces, enhance due process and human rights protections for all citizens, ban private prisons, end cash bail, reform prisons and raise conditions of incarceration to humane standards</li> <li>Abolish the death penalty, legalize cannabis, and end incarceration for nonviolent drug offenses</li> <li>Supports more federal law enforcement resources to attack organized crime, human trafficking, racketeering, money laundering, fraud, espionage, and corruption</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Opposes defunding police departments while increasing accountability</li> <li>Co-sponsored the JUSTICE Act to ensure police are representative of the communities they serve</li> <li>Provide more de-escalation training to officers</li> <li>Equip more officers with body cams, and create a database for police misconduct offense</li> <li>Strong supporter of the First Step Act which removes mandatory minimums for first-time, nonviolent drug offenders.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Responsibly fund police departments while increasing accountability and ensuring our communities can support critical services outside of the criminal justice system</li> <li>Reduce senseless gun violence</li> <li>Ensure returning citizens can reenter society with access to adequate resources and support</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Supports President Trump's restore 'law and order' platform.</li> <li>Criticized her Senate opponent, Doug Collins, for supporting the First Step Act, a significant criminal justice reform bill.</li> </ul>
Gun Control	<ul> <li>Supports 2nd Amendment and universal criminal history checks for gun purchases</li> <li>Supports ban on the sale of semi-automatic rifles ("assault weapons") and high-capacity magazines</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Supports the 2nd         amendment and firmly         believes the right to bear         arms is a freedom enshrined         in Constitution</li> <li>Support Marsy's Law for         victims of violent crimes</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Endorsed by "Every Town for Gun Safety".</li> <li>Against the Safe Carry Protection Act of 2014 which gives Georgians the right to carry guns almost everywhere</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Supports the 2nd amendment and firmly opposes every effort to 'undermine' our Constitutional Rights.</li> </ul>
The Economy	<ul> <li>Supports policies to provide direct emergency relief during economic crises, debt-free public college, free vocational training, and lower taxes.</li> <li>Reduce our dependence on Chinese supply chains and strengthen domestic producers.</li> <li>Supports the reinstatement of the Glass-Steagall Act so</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Supports Trump's economic agenda over the past three years</li> <li>Rolled back Dodd-Frank regulations that had crippled community and regional banks</li> <li>Supported providing billions in relief for Georgia small businesses and workers</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Wants better support for those who have been hit hardest by the pandemic; working to fund unemployment and the systems that have been neglected by Washington</li> <li>Protect the dignity of work, including honest wages, protected retirement, and fair overtime compensation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Supports President Trump's economic agenda.</li> <li>"The Democrats coronavirus stimulus package was a wasteful blue state bailout designed to advance Nancy Pelosi's radical liberal agenda. "</li> <li>"The Republican plan won't waste taxpayer dollars or expand government reach while</li> </ul>



	economic policy serves the long-term prosperity, stability, and financial security of families and productive enterprises	through the Paycheck Protection Program	■ Help small business owners, especially entrepreneurs of color and women, attain capital and support	providing targeted relief to families."  "Remove incentives that keep them at home." Does not advocate for limitless unemployment payments and the shutdown of businesses during the pandemic.
Voting Rights	<ul> <li>Supports mail-in absentee ballot process.</li> <li>Supports a new Civil Rights Act and a new Voting Rights Act to secure equal justice for every citizen.</li> </ul>	■ Has not accepted Georgia Presidential and Senate Election results as legal, although Biden has been declared the winner. Loeffler and Perdue asked the Secretary of State to resign because he did not challenge results.	<ul> <li>Protect the sanctity of voting by restoring and strengthening the Voting Rights Act/John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act;</li> <li>Pushing for expanded Vote-By-Mail options, especially to protect Americans during the COVID-19 pandemic</li> <li>Expanding in-person Early Vote and no-fault Absentee Ballot options.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Has not accepted Georgia's Presidential and Senate Election results as legal although Biden has been declared the winner. Loeffler and Perdue have asked the Secretary of State to resign because he did not challenge results.</li> <li>Does not support a mail-in voting process because she believes there is potential for fraud.</li> </ul>



#### Supports an immigration policy that strengthens our borders, puts American workers first, respects human rights

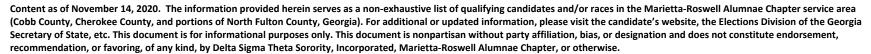
- Wants to champion HBCUs to strengthen these gems of America's higher education system.
- Will fight for equal rights and equal protection under the law for all Americans, regardless of gender or sexual orientation.
- Supports the Equality Act and vote to expand Federal anti-discrimination statutes to prohibit discrimination on the basis of gender or sexual orientation
- Pro-choice

Miscellaneous

 Believes in a historic infrastructure plan that includes massive investments in clean energy, energy efficiency, and environmental protection

- Supports term limits for Congress.
- Supports Pro-Life
- Supports a Balanced Budget Amendment to fix the congressional budget process
- Worked to roll back numerous regulations hurting farmers in Georgia and the importance of Agriculture in Georgia
- Supports border patrol and physical barriers at southern points
- Supported school choice and wrote SCHOOL Act to support plan for school during COVID-19
- Voted to repeal the Affordable Care Act

- Support The Affordable Care Act's preventive care protections for access to birth control, cancer screenings, and other life saving care;
- Support judicial nominees that support a woman's right to choose and upholding Roe v. Wade
- Fights to protect access to quality, affordable reproductive healthcare
- Has accused Facebook and Google of suppressing free speech; silencing conservatives because they are banning political ads during the runoff
- "Thanks to career politicians, our borders are broken and public safety has been completely compromised. 100% committed to completing President Trump's border wall."
- "Unapologetically Pro-Life"
- Loeffler refers to Rev. Warnock as "The Most Radical and Dangerous Candidate in America". See www.kellyforsenate.com
- 'The Green New Deal proposal to address climate change is absolutely ridiculous.'





#### January 5, 2021 General Election Runoff Calendar

Actions	Key Dates
Request your absentee ballot NOW and return it	ASAP
Deadline to register for General Election State Runoff	October 5, 2020
Deadline to register for General Election Federal Runoff*	December 7, 2020
Early voting starts	December 14, 2020
Election Day	January 5, 2021

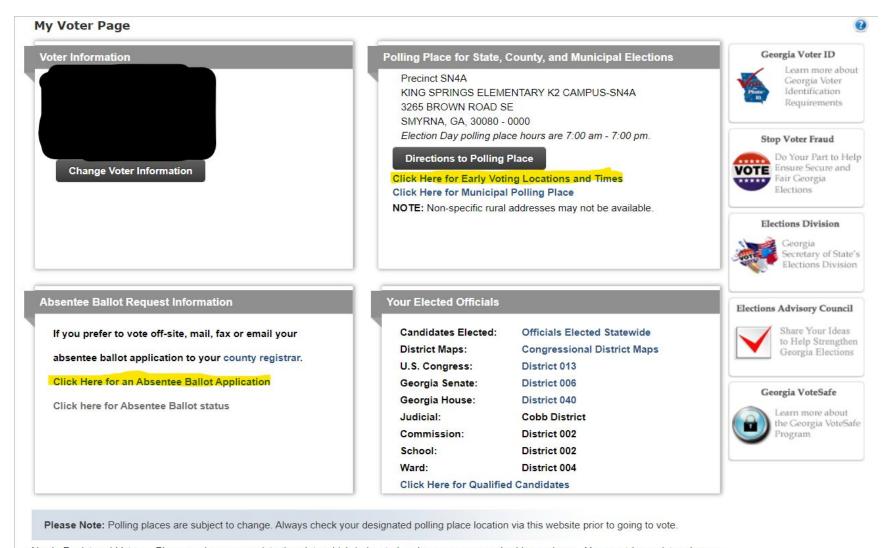
<sup>\*</sup>If you will be 18 by January 5, you can register and vote in the runoffs.



https://www.mvp.sos.ga.gov/MVP/mvp.do







Newly Registered Voters: Please review your registration date which is located under your name and address above. You must be registered on or before the established deadlines to vote in upcoming elections. Please view the **current election calendar** to confirm the first election in which you will be eligible to vote.



#### **Other Voter Resources**

https://securevotega.com/how-to-vote/- Learn about the new voting process

https://fairfight.com/ - How to vote, check out resources for Georgia voters, more about voter protection efforts, report voter suppression

https://www.acluga.org/voter - Learn how to vote by mail and know your rights

https://www.whenweallvote.org/vrh/ - Voter Registration Resource Hub

https://www.nbcnews.com/specials/plan-your-vote-state-by-state-guide-voting-by-mail-early-in-person-voting-election/

https://allianceforyouthorganizing.org/ Nationwide network of organizations building political power among our youth; encouraging them to vote

https://www.centerforvoterinformation.org/voting-information/ - Provides resources and tools to help voting

