

# Simone Bell

State House - Special Election – Tuesday, November 3, 2009  
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Dear Neighbors,

My name is Simone Bell. I am asking for your vote to serve as your new State Representative for District 58. A special election will fill this seat on Tuesday, Nov. 3.

Our community is incredibly rich with diversity. We are a beautiful rainbow of races and ethnicities; youth and seniors; the prosperous and those seeking their way; lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and straight people; long-term residents and newer generations. We all want to live in great neighborhoods. One thing I know for sure, having lived in Reynoldstown for 10 years and building relationships throughout the district for 20 years:

## WE ALL WANT THE SAME THINGS: A Better Georgia for Ourselves and Our Neighbors!

I know **together** we can make Georgia a better place to live, work, and raise our future generations of leaders. I also know that our state government must focus on the basic essentials of life, those everyday needs that assist us all with living fully and contributing to our collective success. **How can we reach this goal?**

**Public Safety** – We must have a state government that supports city and county efforts to recruit, train and retain an effective police force. We must also provide the opportunity for community based initiatives that work along with our local law enforcement to make our communities more secure.

**Education** – Our children deserve a world-class education in order to survive in the global economy. We must restore the budget cuts for education, and bring back and create programs that enrich our children's lives and create well rounded citizens. We have to staff our schools with the best teachers, pay them accordingly and provide them with all the resources they need to help our children succeed.

**Jobs and Investment** – Small businesses in urban areas must become a priority at our state capitol. Atlanta and the surrounding metropolitan areas serve as the financial engine of Georgia. When Atlanta and its surrounding communities thrive, Georgia thrives. Priority must be given to supporting thoughtful development in our communities.

**Transportation & The Environment** – For far too long Georgia has lagged behind in correcting our traffic woes and cleaning up our air and water. Georgia must prioritize and fund smart transportation in our area that will also provide greener solutions to redevelopment and growth. We have the means to lead and we should take our place at the top.

**Healthcare** – Every person deserves access to affordable and quality healthcare and healthcare coverage that can never be taken away. Anything less is not an option. We must move toward preventive care and away from sick care. Co-pays must remain affordable, and there should be incentives for physicians to practice as internal medicine and family practice practitioners.

I want you to be part of this discussion. Between now and election day, I will be in every part of our community, knocking on doors. I want to hear what you have to say. Give me your detailed thoughts on all these issues, and tell me what other ones come to mind. To be your representative in the truest sense, I need to hear from you. **I want the action agenda I take to the state capitol to be the one we arrive at together.** If I haven't gotten to your door yet, call me at home. **My home number is 404-688-8008.** Your voice counts!

Sincerely,

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20-year resident of Atlanta ▪  
graduate of Agnes Scott  
College ▪ experienced  
community organizer, active  
in Atlanta and across the  
south ▪ prior career in  
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May I put a yard  
sign in your yard?