



Ethics Is the Issue, Not Race

In 2015, voters of DeKalb County spoke clearly of their desire to have strong Code of Ethics. The referendum passed with 92% of the citizens voting to approve the Ethics Act. Voters in all areas of DeKalb County, South, North, East and West, agreed on this legislation.

On November 5, 2019, voters will decide on a revised Ethics Act that diminishes and guts the independence and authority of DeKalb Board of Ethics.

Some proponents of the revised act have interjected the issue of race as a divisive tactic to divert attention from the real issue: this referendum does not provide the same level of ethics oversight as the current 2015 legislation. They want to undo what you passed in 2015 by voting YES on the revised Ethics Act. It is a major step backward.

Only those who are unethical themselves or protect others who are not ethical fear a strong Board of Ethics.

Ethical behavior knows no color, ethnicity, religion, or party affiliation.

We expect our elected officials and county employees to conduct the citizens' business with transparency, honesty, and accountability. It is the purpose of a strong Board of Ethics to make sure this happens and to restore citizens' confidence in its government.

Do not be fooled by the callous racial rhetoric. Ethics is the issue, not race.

Vote NO on the revised Ethics Act

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