

## **Elected Officials Work for Us, We Don't Work for Them**

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### **Michael Opitz 00:05**

The time has come for our speaker, Debbie Dooley. I have known Debbie for years, 2003. We've been in this together for a long time on a lot of common issues. Debbie's been interviewed on CNN. She is an activist in the Madison, long time Madison Forum Member. I have a lot of respect for Debbie. And she's going to talk about who's in control. Who controls us; the politicians, or do we control the politicians? And she's going to talk about other things. And we're so very glad that she's here this morning.

### **Debbie Dooley 00:41**

Thank you, Michael. I'm gonna take our take a speaker's privilege and put my two cents in on some of the things that I've heard discussed. Number one with the Fed money and what Cobb is doing. Federal money always comes with strings attached, as we're seeing with Joe Biden "Dementia Joe" the occupant of the White House, his executive order about the COVID vaccines. And, it always comes with strings attached, it's okay, if you won't accept federal money, as long as the county determines where this money goes to, as long as they are the ones that are still in charge and not give up their power base. If it were me, I would strongly oppose that HUD money in Cobb County. Very strongly. Now, I've heard someone talk about Afghan refugees. How many of you read the news this morning, when I got up, I'm on Twitter which I'm @CrimsonTider on Twitter. Yeah, I'm an Alabama alumni. But don't hold that against me. And I look on Twitter and there is an alert at shopping malls and shopping areas in the Virginia Washington DC area from ISIS and word is that the alert is coming from some of the Afghan refugees that came over that they found out was ISIS, part of ISIS. So this is related to the Afghan refugees that still came over. I have a good friend, she's in Alabama now, she used to live in Mableton. And she was a contractor, for NSA or one of those defense agencies actually in Afghanistan. And she said that they happen to come across an airport hanger that was full of passports, forged, fake passports. She said there is no way to verify who they really are. Now if there's a way somebody had a personal relationship with them that saved their lives and things like that, that's different. But that's not what Joe Biden's doing. She told me that she had a Afghan working for her for almost a year, everybody trusted. You know, and then one day, he came in and just threw a hand grenade. Nobody was hurt, but she said that's why with this many that are coming in, you can't possibly screen them. So, that's my two cents. And I've known Michael, since 2003. I see Conrad, we go way back too, Conrad 2009 2010. And have a lot of friends in this room. And, I want to tell you one thing at the beginning and if you don't remember anything else I say, I want you to remember this phrase, and let it guide you when you're dealing with elected officials. If you can't make them see the light, make them feel the political heat. We are in control. They work for us. We don't work for them. Michael and I go way back and I actually used to live in Cobb County. And it's right after Sonny Perdue was elected in 2003. We had precinct organization and

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elect new officers in Cobb County. And Michael and I were part of a coalition that, we worked hard and we actually took control of the Cobb Republican Party from the establishment Republicans. And that is something that we did every office, every district chairman, every officer in the Cobb executive committee; they were our folks. And you want to know how we did that? You control the mass meetings, the mass precincts. The way the Georgia Republican Party works is they have, for counties over 80,000, you have a mass meeting. It's usually February or March. You go there and you elect precinct captains or precinct chairmen, and then you elect delegates to the county convention. At the county convention, you elect officers and you elect delegates to the district and state conventions where you elect officers. If you turn your people out at that mass meeting, that first meeting, and you organize; you can control things from top to bottom. That is exactly how we did it. And we were successful. Cobb's got a great Chairman and a great bunch of folks working for them. Salleigh Grubbs, Salleigh Grubbs is a very good friend of mine. Cherokee County's got a good chairman, Jordan Ridley. I talk to, Jordan and I text quite often. How many in this room actually believe? I want to see, folks good suggestion. What is the most powerful group under the Gold Dome now? Anybody?

**Audience 06:32**

The Chamber.

**Debbie Dooley 06:33**

Exactly. Give you a cigar. You want to know why Brian Kemp refused to call a special session to investigate election fraud? Because the Chamber of Commerce told him not to. You want to know why he did not include on his on his proclamation for a special session a statewide forensic audit? Because of the Chamber of Commerce. They are the most powerful people under the Gold Dome. And that's who our true adversaries are when we're trying to deal and get elected officials to do the right thing. That is the Chamber of Commerce. So, be wary when you see a candidate that's running for office and he touts, "so I've got the support of the Chamber of Commerce." Run away from them because I've seen The Chamber firsthand. And I can tell you, there are some good, some of the local Chambers are good. But some of them are not. They control the school boards that have their tentacles in everything - because they have money. And your elected officials look at that Chamber with members and see dollar signs. And that's what's going on. I can tell you that there are a lot of good folks that are fighting. And one of the things I actually, I'd really prefer that this not get around, but I guess this is going to be public. I was active...

**Michael Opitz 08:05**

Yeah, you're being videotaped.

**Debbie Dooley 08:08**

I know, that's fine. I was being facetious, but when I started off in politics in 1976, my political mentor was part of the Bush, the Bush side of the Republican Party, the Bush cabal is what I'd call it, Establishment wing. I know how they operate. I've watched it firsthand for like 15 years. One of the things they do is they, it's kind of like Mitch McConnell said about the Tea Party, he said we're just

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gonna pop them in the nose and they'll go away, something to that effect. But we didn't go away. But that's what they think. They think if we can lose, if they can force us to lose several battles, we'll get disgusted and just walk away, they felt, and leave them alone. That is the last thing we should be doing. We're gonna stay in and we're gonna fight, just like we're fighting this election fraud. How many believe the election was stolen? Please raise your hand. How many do not believe it was stolen? Well, you're brave if somebody raised your hand. But this is the thing. We have folks actually fighting strong against election fraud, as they were last year. Governor Kemp under the Georgia Constitution, and I will freely tell you now, that Governor Kemp doesn't have the power of executive orders that Governor DeSantis in Florida does. The governor's don't all have the same... you know, when it comes to executive orders. But Georgia's governor can call, under the Georgia Constitution, can call a special session. And he all he has to do is issue a proclamation and list the subject matter that will be addressed in the special session. That's all he has to do. Does not require the approval of the Georgia Legislature. As long as the governor does that any time before the special session convenes, the governor can amend his proclamation and add other subjects. After the special session convenes, he has to require, if he wants to amend it, it requires three fifths majority in each house. And we have been working very, very strongly to try to encourage; there have been phone calls, we were thinking about holding a giant protest, to get Governor Kemp to actually add a statewide forensic audit in this call for the special session. He's refused to do so. So, what we're doing is that we're going to be at the Georgia Capitol. And is it just a handful of us on, I think it's six days that they're in session. There's a big rally on November 3, starts at 8:30. That's Vernon Jones, but I'm also organizing some on the 8th, the 10th, the 15th and the 18th. And if they extend the session, we'll be meeting them Monday and Thursday of each of those days. And, we're gonna stand out there with flags and signs and demand that they do a statewide forensic audit. Governor Kemp, had he done this called a special session to investigate election fraud, the fraud that is being uncovered now would have been found then. They could have acted upon it, other states would have followed and we would not have Dementia Joe as a figurehead in the White House now. And We The People will never stop fighting to cover election fraud. They work for us, we don't work for them. The bottom line is, you have to be willing to stand up and stand up and fight them and be like the Terminator. You keep going and going and going. And you keep going back and you keep going back until you win and then they don't. The best way to really make them feel the heat is to defeat them when they're up for reelection. That is the main thing you can do. If you think Brian Kemp is not filling the heat now you're mistaken because I promise he is. But we have to stand and be willing to fight; we have to be organized. We need to start organizing next year for 2023 because the Georgia GOP reorganizes itself in 2023 so you're going to elect new officers from the bottom up. The key is controlling the precinct. We have to focus on 2022 and making sure that people, that believe in our values that are Trump Republicans, are elected. And we have to stand up and be willing to fight, to fight the establishment, the establishment elitists. The future of our country is at stake. And because of inaction of the establishment, we have Joe Biden in the White House, the Democrats control the Senate, and look at the bad policies they're pushing through. We need people with backbones that are in office, and I encourage you very strongly to not be discouraged. Establishment elected officials think that they're better than you and they may talk down to you or just give you a shuck and jive; or they're just telling you anything to get you away. You have to hold them accountable. And one way you can hold them accountable is contacting them. And I've witnessed it firsthand when I was delivering thank you cards to

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elected officials after they passed SB 202, which is the election security integrity bill, and they were just, you know, thrilled to get them. If you want to have an impact, write hand written letters and put a stamp on it and either put it in the mail or you drop it by their office. If you're going to be at the Capitol, drop it out with their secretary. Put your contact information on there. Hand written letters get their attention more than emails or anything else. If you see somebody that says, hey, send out an email, you know, they can tell the prefilled out emails and they don't pay that much attention to it. They're good because they allow you to contact them but they know and they call it a form email. But if you hand write the letter and send it to their address, that will be much more successful. You can do, Michael's doing a great job, you do what you're doing now - show up. But I promise, we hold the power. The power is with the People. Thomas Jefferson is one of my favorite founding fathers. He once said, "When people fear their government, there is tyranny. When government fears their people, there is liberty." And we have liberty and we should not, we should not stop until we have that back. And look at what Joe Biden's doing with his executive orders. Now, as far as the COVID vaccine, that should be everybody's choice. COVID vaccine or mask, it should be up to you. It should be up to you to decide if you want to take the vaccine or not. I made the decision to take the vaccine only because I thought, you know, they would prohibit me from flying on a, you know, plane if I didn't and I've never had adverse reactions from the flu shot, but I encouraged my daughter to, she did not. And I encouraged her to make her own decision. The government nor anybody else should make that decision for you. That should be up to you. And if you think we're not headed towards a nanny state, you are mistaken. You are very much mistaken. I don't know, who's really in charge at the White House, but it's not Joe Biden. I mean, if you, my dad had Alzheimer's, and he passed away in 2018. So I know the beginning stages. It's nefarious they got away with stealing the election. And when you hear elected officials establishment, saying, "well, we don't need to look back, we just need to look forward." Okay, well, I'm sorry. That's like telling someone that's a bank robber that just robbed the bank, "hey, we're not gonna put you in jail or do anything with you as long as you promise not to do it again." And we're not, they know we're not. And I can tell you Marjorie Taylor Greene, commissioned poll and the poll found that 2% of folks in her district, Republicans, would not turn out for the general election unless something were done. That's how disgusted people are. But what I say is, if you don't turn out and vote, you don't like the Republican nominee, vote Libertarian or write-in, but go out and vote for the other offices. You need to turn out and vote. I have a sneaky, call it women's intuition, but I don't say Governor Kemp heading up the Republican ticket in 2022. How many want to dump Kemp? Raise your hand if you want to dump Kemp. Let's hear a "dump Kemp, dump Kemp, dump Kemp." Yes, okay. If we don't, he will take down the entire Republican ticket. That's why you see somebody like David Perdue possibly stepping to the plate to take, you know. Somebody like David Perdue, a senator? Vernon Jones, I love Vernon Jones. I mean, that's my guy. I love Vernon Jones, but it's anybody but Kemp and Vernon's stepping to the plate and he's doing a great job. I really like him a lot, but when you see David Perdue stepping out and saying, "Yeah, I'm thinking about running," that's a sign that these establishment Republicans that were being effective... if they're getting ready to dump the Republican governor, incumbent Republican governor? How many were at the Georgia GOP Chairman's dinner in Buckhead Thursday night? I was there, somebody had a seat at their table. During the meeting, Kevin McCarthy could not come because they had to go to Washington DC, stay in Washington DC and fight Nancy Pelosi's latest socialism bill. But they did video. It's our delegation, Kevin McCarthy, they all spoke, the Republican delegation from

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Georgia and there were other speakers. Not one time, and Sonny Perdue spoke, David Perdue was there, Vernon Jones was there, I did not say Bert Jones, but I saw some other folks there. Not one time did I hear Brian Kemp's name mentioned. Not one time. Not one time, did I hear a speaker get up and say we must reelect Brian Kemp. Not one time. And that's because of our work, showing and standing strong and not be assimilated by the Kemp machine, is working. They understand. One, that they're like, Politicians a lot of times are like teenagers. How many have had teenagers? You know what I'm talking about. When teenagers are on the wrong path, you can talk to them all you want to but the only thing that will change their direction is when they begin to feel the pain. Once they begin to feel the pain and discomfort, they change their course. Well, the powers that be and a lot of the elected officials in the state are finally realizing you know what? They're the grassroots that are not going to forget about the stolen election. History will repeat itself if, before we can move on to 2022, we need to make sure that we find out what happened in 2021 so it will never, ever happen again. And it will never happen in 2022. SB 202 goes a long way. Now in Georgia, I can tell you since March of 2020 I've been calling out Georgia Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger. Booooo!! I warned, I call him "Rats-perger, but I warned in March of 2020, when he had a plan to send out absentee ballot applications to 6.9 million registered voters for the primary, what would happen. I sent out email after email after email and his office was flooded with phone calls. And everybody was calling him so much that Brad actually started calling some county chairmen and saying, "Debbie Dooley is going after me, can't you do something about her?" And I have a friend that told him, he said, "You clearly don't know Debbie Dooley to think she can be stopped." But that's what we have to do. And that's what happened. And sending those 6.9 million applications out allowed the Democrats to fine tune what they were doing. It allowed them to do a test run of the election still for the general election. Here's something else that allowed it. If you look at the bottom of the absentee ballot application, there's a checkmark. If you're over 65, absentee ballots because the rest of that cycle will be automatically mailed to you without you having to request it. And that includes the general election and the general election runoff. How many people that check that could have moved away or died in between that time? But I can tell you, I'd love for the Dominion machines to go away. Definitely. But I'm going to tell you the biggest problem in Georgia, and I witnessed it firsthand, is with the absentee ballot mail-ins and with the drop boxes. When you have the head of the GBI, that was appointed by Brian Kemp, look at evidence and he says we don't have probable cause. I don't know what he wants. Does he want the person to come up and say, "Hey, I did this?" Because they had video of ballots, multiple ballots being put in dropboxes by one person, by one person. Would just take in and drop a book bag full of ballots. They had that, multiple folks did that. They had the GPS From the cell phones to know that these people were going from dropbox to dropbox to dropbox, all on the same night. You had the chain of custody that was missing from the Fulton County dropboxes. And yet the head of the, Vic Reynolds, and I know it used to be in Cobb, but I mean this guy, he endorsed Brian Kemp in the primary. And Brian Kemp appointed him as the GBI. I am not the least bit surprised he turned it down and decided not to investigate. But I'm not sure, but he won't. But you know, I fully believe from what I've witnessed, and with the fact that you Purdue is thinking about getting in, they're hearing us. And they're hearing us because we've stayed on message. And because we're angry. Because we're forceful. And we are saying we will not forget what happened 2021 and do not tell us to look forward to 2022 and forget about 2021. Now, we do need to look forward to 2022, but you know, we can flip back, correct mistakes, have one are looking at 2021 and the other looking at 2022. Don't let

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them tell you because I, from what I had seen the past month and what I am hearing; they are afraid. And when they're afraid they, listen to you. My political mentor told me, she said there are two things that will get an elected official's attention; money, can you say Chamber of Commerce?, and anger. We don't have money, but we have anger. And I want to thank you for being here. And I'll take some questions it's okay with Michael. Any questions. I want you to get on my email list. Michael can send you my email. It's [debbie@mainstreetpatriots.us](mailto:debbie@mainstreetpatriots.us). And thank you for allowing me to be here.

**Michael Opitz 27:07**

I have something to tell of you. Debbie is not just a voice. She created the Georgia Tea Party and she was instrumental in moving the Tea Party organization and message nationwide. She is a doer. She has the experience. And you can tell by her history and the way she has spoken to us this morning and what she is doing. She doesn't intimidate very easily.

**Debbie Dooley 27:39**

No. And I can tell you, this is what the county parties have done to get the message across. The resolutions. Some of you pass resolutions calling for forensic audit, some of you during the county convention. There was like 18 counties during the county conventions that passed resolutions censuring Kemp, Dunkin, and Raffensperger. That had an impact. That is an example of we the people taking our power back. Cobb and Cherokee, both passed resolutions calling for a forensic audit. And I happen to know for a fact that Governor Kemp's folks actually reached out to county parties and encouraged them not to talk about the statewide forensic audit. They didn't want us to mention it. So we are ignoring them and we are realizing we have the power. We have to be willing to take it and keep it.

**Michael Opitz 28:41**

When we go through Madison Forum, mini dialogues, it's only Madison Forum members who are permitted to engage in the dialogue. And just to restate, we don't argue with the speaker. We do not debate the speaker, that's any of our speakers. And we do not back the speakers into a corner. But we like to have as an intelligent, informative discussion. And there can be a couple of rounds back and forth. Only on the same subject that you open with. It's not free grazing. Okay, Madison Forum members understand that but I like to repeat it just to make sure everybody's current with. So now we're open for questions, Leroy. And late by the way, Leroy is the Madison forum, website editor. So all the emails that you send to him, hopefully writing articles that goes to Leroy he approves it. If he approves it, it's posted on the Madison Forum website, and then it's available for comments. So please go to the website often. We're expanding our scope and we're getting more involved. And we appreciate Leroy's participation. Yes, Leroy?

**Leroy 29:51**

We all need to understand some of the negative comments that have come back from many Republicans in Cobb County criticizing the resolution that said that Governor Kemp should be censured. Cobb GOP resolutions committee did not say that Cobb County censures him but that he should be censured. And two other resolutions that will pass, quite critical resolutions of what's going on in the

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legislation Republican body of the state. And many people have come back and said, "Why are you upsetting the cart? Why are you doing this to make our Republican colleagues at the State level angry at us? Why don't you wait until the elections begin?" Is this what fully public officials accountable means? You vote? They have promises about what they're going to do once they take office and then they don't follow those promises? They don't adhere to those promises. And we have to wait until four years when the next election comes along? Holding public officials accountable means doing it every single day.

**Debbie Dooley 31:12**

Amen. Amen. And this is something, this is why I think a lot of these resolutions let a lot of grassroots and people that are just Republican voters that aren't engaged, you have to understand from what I'm seeing on social media in some of these other places, they equate the Republican Party, all the Republican Party, to the actions Brian Kemp and Jeff Duncan and Brad Raffensperger. And I've told more than one person, the people in Georgia and people control the Republican Party. We're the Republican Party, not the elected officials, and when they see Republican Parties taking action by passing these resolutions, that is going to help keep those voters in the fold that may be turned away. Just for the record. I love healthy debate. When I was in the seventh grade, I debated my science teacher under the theory of evolution. He believed in it, I didn't. And I got an A. It was a special project.

**Leroy 32:24**

So when is the last time you heard Republicans in our state legislature expressing fear and anger? Except at the time when it comes to elections? They are not doing that. They are upset and why are they upset? Because at least the Cobb County GOP issued resolutions that made them upset. It proved to them that we're going to hold them accountable every single day. And we became a role model. I believe Cobb GOP became a role model for other county GOPs across the state. Have courage, do the same thing. I know Salleigh grew up just talking to other county GOP chairs, and encouraging them and their committees to do exactly the same thing. Hold these d\*mn lifetime politicians accountable every single day. The more angry they get, and what I don't understand is how some Republicans are coming back and asking the question, "Why are you doing this?" We're doing this exactly for this purpose. To make them angry, to make them believe that they're going to be held accountable again, every single day.

**Michael Opitz 33:43**

Now one other point, and recognize Leroy and Hue Norris both are on the Cobb County Republican resolutions committee and they have just done an outstanding job. I'm privileged to be the chair of that committee. Yes.

**Debbie Dooley 34:05**

And there's been eight other counties that have reached out to me that has similar resolutions since Cobb and more are passing.

**Audience 34:17**

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Hi, I just want to say I appreciate you. I don't necessarily agree with every candidate you've mentioned. But that doesn't matter. You're doing the right thing. You're standing for truth. The Lord gives us the Word. The Lord gives the Word. The woman who bear and publish are great hosts. Psalm 68:11. Thank you. I want to know, I want you all to know I went to Hillsdale Conference this past week. It was about education, right on target with politics, even though that we didn't talk necessarily about politics, but how the foundation of learning is influenced is everything. And if you knock God out, we're knocking out everything good, so we need to always go with the most ultimate truth that we can and people who pursue it need to be praised Hillsdale, the model at their school, I thought is perfect; strength rejoices in the challenge. This is what we're doing. This is what we're doing. I have a question. Yes. I had an 80 year old woman who is crying to me because she feels like her vote does not count. Any advice? Because I couldn't, I felt like I could not give her any advice.

**Debbie Dooley 35:30**

I would tell folks that are, that do that, you let her know that that's what the establishment wants her to think. And if folks are afraid to vote on Dominion voting machines, tell them to get a request to absentee ballot. She'll get a paper ballot and mail it in or drop it in. Your vote does count, you get out. How many remember the Iraqi first election with the purple fingers. Okay? They were willing to risk their lives to pass a vote. Her vote does count. Do you know, when JFK, John Kennedy, was elected, had there been one vote change per precinct in Illinois, he would not have been elected president. So don't let anyone tell you one vote doesn't matter. There's been elections, won and lost by one vote. Yes, sir.

**Audience 36:29**

Yes. I just want to say that I agree with both Debbie and Leroy. Not only do you need to hold our elected officials accountable, you need to tell them what to do with anyone who gets my any my my emails at the end of every single email, like I give the phone numbers of our elected officials. and I say with few exceptions, Republicans in Washington are too stupid to explain their positions and too cowardly to defend them. So you need to call them and call them often and here are their numbers. And the thing is, they have a much bigger platform than we do. I mean, I can go out on the corner and say something but Barry Loudermilk has a press conference and says the same thing, it gets more attention. So we need to get our officials to say what we want them to say and keep pressure on them. One last thing, I was at a at a seminar, CRT seminar, just recently, one of the speakers made a great comment. He said the Founding Fathers fought to establish his country. The country is now in such a state we have to fight to save it. That's very good.

**Michael Opitz 37:56**

Debbie, I'm sure you're on somebody's terrorist watchlist. In fact, all of us are. Raffensperger. We only found out, Conrad and I were at breakfast yesterday, they send those out first class, which is problematic because they get forwarded. They went all over the world. People that didn't live here anymore but got them. My point is, we got to stop this Democratic-Republican stuff. No, not ideologies. Georgia gang, Phil Kent, many years ago, I said to him, "You think Trump is Republican?. He's a pragmatist. He isn't any party. This is what the resolutions are. You got to pick people who are going to

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do the right stuff. I call them problem solvers. Not problem creators. Measure the problem. But he's got responsibility for our needs. Like Michael said, David Scott is probably a pragmatic Democrat. He lives in a very democratic district. He has to do what those people think he's got to do, he's, you become something other than you really are. All I'm saying is, essentially, we take people. sorry - we know who they are not what they say they are.

**Debbie Dooley 39:14**

Always the other party.

**Michael Opitz 39:16**

Yes, Michael.

**Audience 39:17**

First of all, let me thank you for your leadership and I take good heart in the truisms that you express. Could you confirm that what, I understand that there's been a change in the recall moves to believe the threshold has been reduced because the COVID and for some of the folks that just don't get the message, we need to know that there is another hammer and see why.

**Debbie Dooley 39:49**

Well, and this is my thing with recall. If George's recall laws were like California's where you just have to have a required number of signatures, I'm all onboard. But this is why I did not, I actually had an attorney look at the Georgia recall laws like in February, first of February. And under the Georgia recall law it's not enough to gather signatures, you have to actually have cause. They've got to be, you've got to prove malfeasance, dereliction of duty and things like that, you've got to prove it to a judge in Fulton County, because the minute a recall petition is filed, you can bet Raffensperger is going to challenge it. And let's see what happens. I think they're good though; they're still good, but I think we, you know, focus needs to be in like passing these resolutions. Send them on in and organizing to take out these elected officials. And when you do those recall petitions, this is something that's very beneficial, because you've got all these people who have signed this, and you've got their contact. So that's your grassroots army to help you get better. I would be all onboard. I think people doing a recall are doing a great thing. They're collecting data, things like that. But I don't, you know, for a statewide recall, as I said, keep in mind, our Georgia's recall laws were written by elected officials that wanted to make it harder to recall them. And that's what they have, you have to have cause to recall. But not, you don't think they're doing a good job. And that's something that, that's why I've never really started recalling even though I talked about it. But I think, I applaud folks that are doing it, because they're collecting data that we can use in 2022. And I applaud them for doing that. Do I think it'll be successful? No, but you never know. So keep out there and keep trying.

**Michael Opitz 42:05**

Any other questions? Yes.

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**Audience 42:08**

You had talked about Governor Kemp being so tied to the Chamber of Commerce. So Governor Kemp is doing it at the state level. [inaudible...] and he's getting a lot of questions right now. Why is it that all he would have to do, he has to know this, [inaudible...] Why would he not do that? Why would the Chamber still be stronger? But he's not going to get away. He had to know he's not gonna to [inaudible...] unless he doesn't.

**Debbie Dooley 42:48**

But but you have to understand that when you're governor, okay, you've got some key advisors around you and many of these key advisors don't tell you the truth. They tell you what you want to hear. I'm telling you, he is so arrogant, I promise he doesn't know it. Every time I send an email. He's one of the first ones that opens my email. I promise he doesn't like being duped. He doesn't like these resolutions. That's why he got Jason Shepherd in Cobb County, who is a Kemp flunky, to stand up and condemn it. Well, let you know, I have a newsflash for Jason Shepherd. I can remember under the Sonny Perdue, under his administration county parties passed resolutions against him because he refused to allow people in Georgia to vote on what they wanted their state flag to be. Did Sonny Perdue take time and try to fight it? No. He ignored it. Same thing with Nathan Deal. County parties passed resolution censuring Nathan Deal because he vetoed the religious liberty bill. Did anybody fight that? No. Nobody said a word. Jason Shepherd was around during all this. He has not raised censures against Deal and Raffensperger, not said one word about it. But it is because times have changed. And we're being effective. Not we, you guys, the grassroots, working, holding these elected officials accountable. For being effective. There's a lot of times, it's like you see a duck on the pond and you think that's your elected official and they're so calm and you think they're not afraid of me. But if you look under the surface that duck's paddling very, very fiercely to stay on top. And that's a lot of times what average folks don't see that I see because I hear about a lot of stuff that's going on. But you need to join if you're not a member of Madison Forum, join because I can tell you this group is a great group and they keep you informed. And never, ever stop fighting. Never give up.

**Audience 43:03**

He knows this. Debbie, I've had some real reservations about areas. We're the best state in the country to do business. And over the last three or four years I've grown to feel like that's right on my back. So would you expound upon that a little bit for me?

**Debbie Dooley 45:42**

I would be happy to. That's a pet peeve of mine. Because we bribe corporations with tax credits to come to Georgia, because of jobs. The thing about it is that the state government, the local governments never follow up to see if these companies are keeping their promises to get their tax credits. And just keep in mind that they're taking money from school tax, so that makes you have to pay more in property tax. And look at what's happened. Look how drastically, Georgia has changed. When we started giving all

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these tax credits to Hollywood and field producers. okay, what did we expect would happen? Okay, you're giving, bringing, people in from Hollywood in Georgia for jobs because you're giving them tax money to actually come here. And while we're at it, from one legislation I would like to see passed, is legislation passed saying that there will be no public funding the sports stadiums. Yeah. And God bless the Atlanta Braves, I'm glad they're doing good but I fought long and hard against them, the taxpayers funding the stadium and moving it to Cobb County. We have to stand up. Enough is enough.

**Michael Opitz 47:10**

Ya'll may, some of you may recall, that controversy in which the Cobb County Commission, again, struck once more. Republicans! Under Tim Lee, where they approved the funding of a bond for what was over 100,000 million? \$300,000,000. They approved that, the Cobb County Commission. If you go to the state constitution, it states that any money, any bonds approved, must be subject to ratification by the citizens of that county. The Cobb County committee ignored that. The Cobb County Commission ignored that under Tim Lee. And there were three or four people, at least two of the Madison Forum members, one of them who is not an attorney, Larry Savage, argued to fight the Georgia Supreme Court. It is very simple. There are only two lines, one or two lines in the state constitution. For bond issue, it has to be ratified by the citizens of that county. It was not ratified. It was illegal. And the Georgia State Supreme Court unanimously ruled against the state constitution and approved that bond issue by the Cobb County Commissioners and that set the stage for all the County Commissions across the state to do the same thing in opposition to the state constitution. You can go read that, that article. I can't recall the exact line but it doesn't take doesn't take long to read it and see. That's how corrupt Georgia is.

**Debbie Dooley 48:52**

And it's not Democrats. In Georgia, it's usually the people that are in control. Well, it's been Republicans that have been in control and have allowed all of this, like post public funding; the Braves, not the Braves, the Falcons and the Braves, but mostly the Falcons as well. Because the people in Vine City and some of these other areas, were saying, "They're going to demolish our homes. We don't want it here." So it's actually the Tea Party folks and other conservative folks join forces with the NAACP, and we all came to work together in opposition to it. They did not listen. Because it's all about the money. It's all about the Chamber of Commerce, and see what they're doing. That's what it's all about it. I will give you guys my cell phone number and I want you to text me. If you want to get on my email list and anybody that receives my email list will tell you I send out great, but don't pull punches. So beware it's 678.761.6725. And I'm proud of some of the, we really see, we have seen the past few months, which county party leadership are willing to stand up for what's right. And, you know, Cherokee County; I can't tell you, but like Cobb, it was just like opening the door. After 17 county conventions, passed resolutions censuring Kemp, dumping Raffensperger, Duncan decided not to seek reelection because of that. We're standing up, we booed Kemp at the state convention. It is like a great awakening. Last year, I hated what happened. But God's in control. And it's like I'm seeing a great awakenings has happened. People are getting off the couch. They're being active, and they're staying active. The tide is turning. I mean, who would have thought you have rap songs that, you know with a subject, "Let's go Brandon?" And then they say FYB, I think FJB. Everybody knows what that is on college campuses. College campuses. Okay?

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You think that the young people, you know, you want to be afraid because there are so liberal. Young people and these college football games are chanting FJB. And young people, and it all has to do with tyranny in regard to the vaccine and the mask. So, you know, a great awakening is taking place in this country, and I think we're gonna see a big change.

**Michael Opitz 52:00**

And we are part of that Great Awakening because we're not afraid to speak the truth. We have to speak the truth.

**Debbie Dooley 52:09**

No matter how hurtful it may be to Republican, some of the Republican elected officials, it's not their party. It is our party.

**Michael Opitz 52:26**

Yes, Leroy, you've had...

**Leroy 52:28**

A quick question for Debbie.

**Debbie Dooley 52:29**

Yes, sir.

**Leroy 52:32**

I heard Dr. Professor John Eastman, a constitutional attorney, who gave a statement regarding voter fraud in this state. And part of what he said that, the state legislature in Georgia only needed a majority vote to call a special session.

**Michael Opitz 52:52**

Two thirds.

**Debbie Dooley 52:54**

Three fifths. I'm not sure. I think he was going by the U.S. Constitution and not the Georgia Constitution.

**Leroy 53:02**

Yes. U.S. Constitution, the state legislature can call a special session just with a majority vote. I mean that's [inaudible].

**Debbie Dooley 53:09**

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And it does say that but, they did not, you know, they came back and they say oh, yeah, but ours supersedes that.

**Leroy 53:18**

It doesn't. The U.S. Constitution supersedes the State Constitution. So, why didn't our state legislatures not do that?

**Debbie Dooley 53:25**

Cowardice. Cowardice. That's why they did not. I agree with you. It should have been done. There were so many things that should have been done. And you know, when I was going after Brad Raffensperger, Rat-ffensperger, about the absentee ballot requests; there was only one of the state leaders that stood up and tried to fight what he was doing. It wasn't Jeff Duncan. It wasn't Brian Kemp. It was David Ralston, of all people, stood up and he said, "No, we can't do this." and he fought him tooth and nail on that. He was the only one that stood up and said we can't do this. And he tried to fight it. And even on this, Duncan and Kemp, and even Chris Carr; you know look at the settlement agreement that Chris Carr and Br... and there's a reason Brian Kemp wanted them to settle, you know, settle the lawsuit with Stacey Abrams because the lawsuit covered part of the time he was Secretary of State and had that lawsuit gone forward during disclosure, documents could have been subpoenaed that he maybe he did not want to get out.

**Michael Opitz 54:45**

Yes?

**Audience 54:46**

I just wanted to say that the answer to your question were only six Georgia senators who were willing to do the special session. Six, led by my Brandon Beach. My senator, Bruce Thompson was just AWOL. I could not get him to even respond to me and desire me to get him to go down there for a special session so I'm not in favor of putting in legislature because he did not represent my interests in this issue.

**Michael Opitz 55:10**

Jim, we have time for one more comment. You got to take back the country. The socialists are not going to give it to you. Another thing, we all need to thank Mitch McConnell for never putting America [inaudible...] And that's one thing we can thank him for, we can certainly give thanks for that. The Madison forum takes great pride, we start on time and we end on time and made a commitment to the owner of this establishment, Ralph, that we would end no later than 1:00 and it's three minutes to 1:00, so that gives us time for one more question and comment. Yes, Jim.

**Audience 55:51**

Yes, you said you have a pet peeve about [inaudible...]

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**Debbie Dooley 55:57**

Oh, I have pet peeve about corporate, make no mistake, I have a pet peeve about corporate wealth that the taxpayers don't decide.

**Audience 56:07**

My question is related to what we've been circling the wagons about. And it's the fact that we don't have anybody writing good law in Georgia and haven't had for years. I'd like to know what you about, like how many lawyers are down there at the Gold Dome?

**Debbie Dooley 56:21**

There is far too many lawyers. Now, I will say...

**Audience 56:22**

How many are writing law?

**Debbie Dooley 56:29**

Not very many. And this is the thing. We've had good people writing laws that don't get anywhere. So, it's not like good laws are not being written. They just don't get out of committee. But the way that the, you have to watch and see the little tricks they use. Yeah, legislative leadership, let's say House member A, that's a very good constitutional conservative introduces legislation that the grassroots will get behind and leadership at the Chamber of Commerce say, "well, we really don't want it going anywhere, ok? But we don't want our members to have to vote against it..." So, you know what happens? It gets assigned to a committee that's going to be an unfavorable committee and it never passes out of committee. Ok? I think every piece of legislation that's filed, if they get so many people that want to vote on it, the majority of the caucus or anything 40% of the caucus, it should be going to the floor for a vote. But they kill good legislation in committee. How many know who Butch Miller is? All the shenanigans I'm talking about? This guy is knee-deep in all of this stuff that going on. Butch Miller. Make no mistake.

**Michael Opitz 58:11**

Debbie, we really appreciate your being here this morning. You've been a longtime Madison Forum member and your voice is so important to Georgia.

**Debbie Dooley 58:20**

Pleasure. You're voice is so important. What you're doing here is vital.

**Michael Opitz 58:26**

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And I want to reemphasize to everyone, please go to the Madison Forum website, [www.MadisonForum.org](http://www.MadisonForum.org), and write insightful articles. It's very important and do it in MS Word 14 pt type, Times New Roman, and send it to Leroy. Alright, these should be thoughtful insightful articles. And read some of the other letters that we have, it needs to be in that kind of context. And then for those of you who don't want to write an article, go to the website and see the articles that are up there. And then make a comment so other people can hear your words. And that's another way of getting out the message. We are expanding the Madison Forum website reach across the nation. We've got a an author, Frosty Wooldridge, who lives in Golden, Colorado and he writes on a regular basis, very good insightful articles. Please go and read them and then make your own contribution.

**Leroy 59:29**

That word, insightful, can be spelled both ways... sight and site.

**Michael Opitz 59:44**

Yes? Real fast...

**Audience 59:45**

Speaking of articles.. I have an article for you guys today. It has to do with questions and it's a the book was written by Dr. Fleming and is about [inaudible...] reference and all the evidence is in here.

**Michael Opitz 1:00:13**

He'll be passing out the information at the door as you leave. Thank you all very much. Then we appreciate Ted Metz for filming. Ted does a great job. All Madison Forum members who volunteer, none of us are paid. Okay, so just know. We're all volunteers, and we appreciate everyone. Thank you very much and ya'll have a wonderful weekend.

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