# DR. MICHELLE AU HOUSE



# **DOCTOR. STATE SENATOR. PUBLIC HEALTH EXPERT.**

State Senate District 48 was redistricted as a Republican stronghold in November 2021. State Sen. Michelle Au is now running for the open House District 50 seat.

"While the Republicans can draw me out, they can't count me out.

I'm running for State House because Georgia still ranks among the worst states for health and access to healthcare, our right to bodily autonomy at risk, our education system failing our children, our voting rights in jeopardy, and our recovery efforts tenuous at best.

Taking care of people is my life's work. As a mother of three, a physician, and a public health expert, I know we cannot continue to let our public policy fail Georgia's families. The well-being and health of our community will always be my focus, and I am not done yet."

Michelle

# **Meet Michelle**

State Senator Dr. Michelle Au was elected to represent the residents of Senate District 48, which includes Johns Creek, in 2020. She is the first Asian woman elected to the Georgia State Senate.

Dr. Au has been practicing anesthesiology for more than ten years. She graduated magna cum laude from Wellesley College in 1999 and received her doctoral of medicine degree from Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons. In addition, she holds a Master in Public Health from the Mailman School of Public Health at Columbia University. Au is married to Joseph Walrath, an oculoplastic surgeon, and they live in Johns Creek with their three children, Cal (16), Mack (12) and Nina (9), who all attend Fulton County public schools.



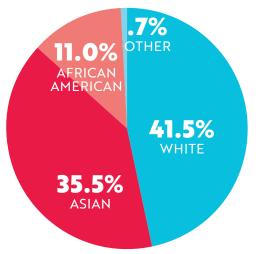
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## 2023 State House District 50

Encompasses the city of Johns Creek Explore the unofficial map <u>here</u>

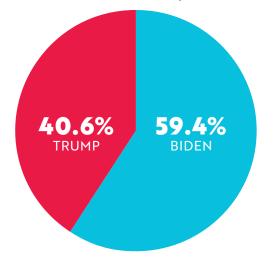
### **District Demographics**

### POPULATION 59,523



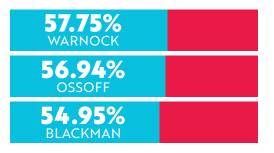
### 2020 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

Biden won 59.4% to Trump's 40.6% in the 2023 District 50 precincts.



### 2021 RUN-OFF ELECTIONS

Warnock, Ossoff and Blackman won these precincts 57.75%, 56.94%, and 54.95%.



# The Race for State House District 50

Michelle is running for an open seat, held by Angelika Kausche (D) who announced in November 2021 she will not run for re-election. Representative Kausche has endorsed Michelle's candidacy. To date, Jay Lin (R) announced his intentions to run for this seat. In 2018, Incumbent Democrat Angelika Kausche defeated Republican challenger Jay Lin 52.8% to 47.2%.

## **Competitive Advantage**

As an effective freshman State Senator, Dr. Au is a rising star in Georgia politics and she commands national media attention. During her freshman year, Senator Au authored a patient protection bill for emergency care coverage, gun safety legislation, and bills increasing cultural competency and in-language outreach by law enforcement. She cosponsored voting rights, prescription drug cost, family medical leave, Medicaid expansion, and patient consumer protections bills. She is co-chair of the bi-partisan General Assembly Working Group on Addiction and Recovery.

### SD 48 was the sole Senate district targeted purposefully by Republicans to end Senator Au's political career. As Patricia Murphy notes in this <u>AJC opinion piece</u>:

"Au is both the only Asian American in the state Senate and a rising star. If you wanted to eliminate a Democrat with major potential and an annoying habit of pressing you on details and policy arguments, she would be the one you'd go for."

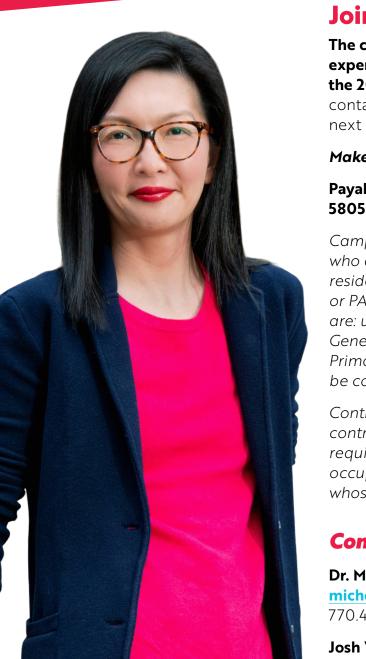
Senator Au has been frequently featured on national news programs including MSNBC, CNN, NBC, ABC, CBS, Politico, among many more. Her op-eds have been featured in Atlanta Journal Constitution, The Washington Post, and The Los Angeles Times. Her medical memoir, This Won't Hurt a Bit (And Other White Lies): My Education in Medicine and Motherhood, is a humorous and compelling testament to her strong work ethics, moral compass and humility.

As a second generation Chinese American female, Dr. Au fits the profile of this district and is a leader in the AAPI community. This is an affluent, highly diverse groat with a

**community.** This is an affluent, highly diverse area with a notably large Asian-American population, and there's a real desire in the community for legislative leaders who represent the demographics of the region. Dr. Au beat her primary opponent in the 2020 State Senate race, a male AAPI with long and deep ties to the district's community, by almost 78% of the vote. She is active in numerous AAPI advocacy coalitions, including the Georgia chapter of Stop AsianHate Coalition, formed after the March 16, 2021 mass shooting targeting Asian women.

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# Join Us in Victory

The combination of Dr. Au's Senate record, message, her experience and the district's demographic trends makes the 2022 race well within her reach. With a robust voter contact plan to reach voters, Dr. Au is poised to be the next State Representative for House District 50.

### Make a secure online <u>contribution</u> today.

# Payable checks to Au for Georgia, Inc. can be mailed to 5805 State Bridge Road, Suite G238, John's Creek, GA.

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