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## Atlanta Realtors PAC gives nod to Garner

*Fulton County Commission District 6 Candidate continues to demonstrate diversity of support*

**Atlanta, June 29, 2010** – Joan Garner, a long-time community leader and non-profit executive who is seeking the Fulton County Commission District 6 seat, has been endorsed by the Atlanta Realtors Political Action Committee (<http://www.garealtor.com/>).

The Committee announced Monday its endorsement of Joan Garner. A candidate screening panel composed of members of the Atlanta Board of Realtors and the Atlanta Commercial Board of Realtors concluded that Garner is best qualified to serve the citizens of Fulton County in the next term. The Atlanta Board of Realtors and Atlanta Commercial Board of Realtors are trade associations that together represent more than 8,000 members involved in all aspects of the residential and commercial real estate industries.

“Joan Garner’s experience as a community leader will serve her well on the Board of Commissioners,” said Melba Franklin, chairman of Atlanta RPAC and managing partner of RE/MAX Greater Atlanta. “Her support for affordable housing, economic development, and the protection of property rights are perfectly aligned with our associations’ goal of helping to restore the county’s position as a world-class place to live, work, and play.”

The Atlanta RPAC news release on Garner’s endorsement notes that she has a distinguished record of civic service in organizations that impact real estate and the community at-large. She chaired Atlanta’s Neighborhood Planning Unit-M and served as a member of the BeltLine Affordable Housing Advisory Board and the Metropolitan Atlanta Community Development Corporation.

Of the endorsement, Garner says, “I am honored by the support of Atlanta RPAC, especially because they recognize my previous work that so directly touches the issues of their members and others across Fulton County.”

In addition to the endorsement of the Atlanta Realtors Political Action Committee, Garner was previously endorsed Atlanta Stonewall Democrats ([www.AtlantaStonewall.org](http://www.AtlantaStonewall.org)), by the Atlanta-North Georgia Labor Council, AFL-CIO ([www.AtlantaLaborCouncil.org](http://www.AtlantaLaborCouncil.org)), the Victory Fund ([www.VictoryFund.org](http://www.VictoryFund.org)), and by Georgia Equality ([www.GeorgiaEquality.org](http://www.GeorgiaEquality.org)).

The Fulton County Commission District 6 seat is currently held by Nancy Boxill, who after 23 years on the Commission has announced her decision not to seek a sixth term. Garner entered the race in early April and officially qualified April 27. A Washington, DC, native, she has been in Atlanta since 1978, making her home in various neighborhoods across the district. She now resides in the heart of the district in the historic Old Fourth Ward with her partner of 11 years.

Fulton County District 6 encompasses portions of the northeastern, central and southeastern sections of Atlanta, from as far south as the city/Fulton County line to Lindridge-Martin Manor on the northern edge of the district. East to West, the district runs approximately from Moreland Avenue to Joseph E. Lowery Blvd.

Follow Garner for Fulton County Commissioner at [www.GarnerForCommissioner.com](http://www.GarnerForCommissioner.com) and “friend”/”like” the campaign on FaceBook at Garner for Fulton County Commissioner. E-mail [Info@GarnerForCommissioner.com](mailto:Info@GarnerForCommissioner.com) or call 404-832-JOAN (-5626).

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