



LAURA 2024

A FRESH VOICE FOR GLYNN

Press Release

Public Health, Clinical Research Professional, and Community Advocate Seeks Independent Run at Position 2 At-Large County Commissioner Seat to Provide a FRESH VOICE for all Glynn County Residents

Brunswick, GA (February 6, 2024) – With a focus on increased government transparency and an eye toward affordable housing, public health professional and local community advocate Laura Khurana has announced her bid for Position 2 At-Large County Commissioner. “I envision a Glynn County that provides a better quality of life for all its citizens, regardless of their station in life. Having navigated being a single mother, as well as leading in the corporate and non-profit sectors, I have learned that improved quality of life is the most important component of a vibrant and healthy community,” Khurana said.

Khurana announced her bid Monday with a campaign promise to provide a Fresh Voice for those who are underrepresented and underrecognized throughout Glynn County.

As an Army kid, Khurana developed a keen eye and ear for understanding the local citizens and the diverse viewpoints and backgrounds that comprise any community. Khurana has called Glynn County her home for the past seven years, but it has been her home away from home since her childhood, spending summers in the lovely Golden Isles.

As a resident, Laura has spent time listening to many in the community. She serves as a team member with a local non-profit, is part of Women’s Voices of Glynn County, and has served on committees and been a strong advocate at both the city and county levels. Khurana is fueled by the belief that accessibility to the local government and local resources will help create sustainable, lasting change for individuals and the community at large.

On affordable housing: Having worked in public health for almost two decades, Khurana has interacted with citizens from many walks of life, including those in environments where access to basic necessities was lacking. Because of this, and because of the relationships she has developed with many residents around Glynn County, Khurana is committed to providing ways for all people to have access to safe and affordable housing, and for those of every socio-economic level to be welcomed and included. “Housing is a basic need, and we should

continue to explore ways to provide pathways to affordable housing for our citizens,” Khurana suggests.

On governmental accessibility and transparency: As a lifelong researcher, Khurana realizes the importance of transparency in leadership. Providing residents access to the information they need will help them make decisions to help them thrive. “Our government should be an open book to their constituents,” Khurana notes. “But we haven’t seen that at several levels of government over the years. Our citizens deserve better.” Khurana has seen the impact of transparency in her work as a researcher and hopes to bring that much-needed experience to the county commissioner role.

On childcare: As a single mother, Khurana knows firsthand the importance of reliable and affordable childcare. “30% of children in Glynn County under five years old live in poverty. Some of those are children of County employees,” she observes. “When families have access to quality, affordable childcare and early education, parents have the option of working outside the home, and kids reap long-term benefits. As a commissioner, I would look to provide our community with a countywide childcare needs assessment and help our families get access to reliable, affordable childcare.”

On running as an Independent: Khurana believes that partisanship doesn’t belong in local government and that it stands in the way of meaningful progress. “In our county commission, school board, and other local partisan elections, I’ve seen a pattern of candidates winning based on their political party, not based on their demonstrated experience, their policy ideas, or their understanding of what matters to the people of Glynn County,” Khurana states. “Voters deserve competitive elections with strong candidates who offer them a real choice.” By running as an Independent, she is committing to set a standard of local campaigns that are issues-based, solution-minded, and responsive to the needs of all constituents.

"Glynn County is a place ripe with possibilities," Khurana notes. "That’s why it changed from being a summer childhood destination for me to a place where I choose to raise my family. As I look to serve the county well in this position, I will work tirelessly to cultivate the possibilities we all see so that we can provide a better future for all Glynn County residents."

There is no better time than now for the Glynn County Commission to have a FRESH voice, and Laura Khurana pledges to be just that for all families in Glynn County. Residents can learn more about her at lauraforglynn.com.

###

Contact Information:

Friends of Laura Khurana

P.O. Box 2936
Brunswick, Georgia 31520
(912)289-7746