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Georgia Chamber Mobilizes Resiliency and Recovery Initiative

State's largest business organization forms private sector task force, conducts first meeting

Atlanta, GA (April 28, 2020) – The [Georgia Chamber](#) announces the formation of its Resiliency and Recovery Task Force led by top businesses from across Georgia. The task force is leading the charge for economic recovery in the state, leveraging partners in the private and public sector to develop strategies, provide insights and bolster growth and sustainability of the New Georgia Economy (NGE), post COVID-19.

“In an unprecedented economic crisis that has hit every business in America, it is incumbent upon free enterprise to coordinate and develop plans that mitigate risk and create a concrete foundation for our future economy,” said [Peter Carter](#), Executive Vice President and Chief Legal Officer of Delta Air Lines and the 2020 Georgia Chamber Board Chairman. “The Georgia Chamber together with our government partners are striving to meet that challenge through this task force. We will work to make this state an even better place to do business for generations to come.”

The Task Force will be co-chaired by [Teresa White](#), President, AFLAC U.S., [Ben Tarbutton](#), President of Sandersville Railroad and [Sonny Deriso](#), Chairman of the Board, Atlantic Capital Bank. The initiative is an inclusive endeavor to bring together leading voices from every region and business sector in the state.

The Georgia Chamber's task force initiative comes on the heels of the [U.S. Chamber of Commerce](#) and the [Council of State Chambers \(COSC\)](#) announcement last week creating a national economic recovery effort. The Georgia Chamber is an active participating member of this initiative that includes representatives from all 50 states, mirroring the coordination between the governors and the federal government.

Georgia Chamber President and CEO [Chris Clark](#) said, “The health and safety of employees, customers and citizens is top priority for every American business and organization. In working with local, state and national partners, we will expedite recovery efforts and build a resilient and stronger economy.” Clark also serves as the Vice Chair of COSC and as a member of the U.S. Chamber Board of Directors.

For updates on Georgia COVID-19 response, recovery and resiliency, please visit www.gachamber.com/covid19.

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