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## State Rep. Tom Rice Receives Special Recognition at City Council Meeting

**PEACHTREE CORNERS, GA, April 20, 2016** -- During Tuesday night's City Council meeting, State Representative Tom Rice (Dist.95) was recognized for his 20 years of service representing his district which includes Peachtree Corners.

This past February he announced that he would not seek re-election and would retire from serving in the Georgia General Assembly at the end the year when his term expires.

As a way to recognize Rep. Rice for his two decades of service, Mayor Mike Mason presented him with a proclamation thanking him for his many contributions including his efforts that led to the creation of Peachtree Corners in 2012.

"Tom Rice's work on Peachtree Corners' behalf will always be recognized as a valuable and integral part of the city's history," said Mayor Mason. "We wish him the very best in his retirement. I know he will be missed when the General Assembly convenes next January."

After a referendum passed in November 2011, the City of Peachtree Corners was officially founded July 1, 2012. It became Gwinnett County's 16<sup>th</sup> city and the first new city formed since 1956. With a population of over 40,000, it is also the largest city in the county.

Rep. Rice's district serves the citizens of Peachtree Corners, Berkeley Lake, Norcross and parts of Johns Creek. Following his retirement from the House, Rice said he plans to work on ministry opportunities at Peachtree Corners Baptist Church.

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