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**Incumbency, Name Recognition, Muscle Memory and Take A ways from Tuesday's, September 10th Primary Election**  
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The Mecklenburg 9th Congressional race push benefited local candidates (City Council this time) but again was not enough to benefit the Democratic nominee. The coattail certainly helped local City Council At-Large and Mayoral Candidates that appealed to the White Progressive voters in that voting universe.

As scary as Bishop is, we must painfully remember the 9th had already been in Republican hands. Muscle Memory of the voters.

Charlotte City Council District 3 remembered their muscle memory of voting for a woman and the remaining men in the race splintered the remaining voter base.

The Republicans in the General Assembly lowered the runoff threshold from 40% to 30% to secure a victory in overcrowded races.

Renee Perkins Johnson is the outright winner in the Democratic Charlotte City Council Primary in District 4 and will face a Republican challenger in the Fall General Election.

In City Council District 7 incumbency and name recognition was the order of the day.

Take a ways, 2020 will be an expensive, nasty election, where ad wars and spending will begin at 10 million (the price tag of ad wars in the 9th Congressional District).

Getting a African American strong and robust vote out will be key to our survival as a democratic, just society.

[For complete race by race election results, please visit the Mecklenburg County Board of Elections website by clicking here.](#)

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