

## **NEW YORK TO HOLD A SPECIAL ELECTION FOR CONGRESS – SEPTEMBER 13**

On Tuesday, September 13, 2011, New York will hold a special election for the 9<sup>th</sup> Congressional District, to fill the seat vacated by Representative Anthony D. Weiner. The 9<sup>th</sup> Congressional District includes parts of southern Brooklyn and south central Queens. In Queens, the 9<sup>th</sup> District includes Maspeth, Fresh Meadows, Glendale, Howard Beach, Kew Gardens, Kew Gardens Hills, Middle Village, Forest Hills, Ozone Park, Ridgewood, Rego Park, Rockaway Beach, and Woodhaven. In Brooklyn the 9<sup>th</sup> District includes Flatlands, Gerritsen Beach, Marine Park, Midwood, Mill Basin and Sheepshead Bay.

Voting Assistance Officers should contact New York voters from the 9<sup>th</sup> Congressional District and inform them of this news release and assist them in requesting and returning their absentee ballot.

### **Register to Vote and Request Your Ballot Now!**

If you are not already registered to vote, you may do so by submitting a Federal Post Card Application (FPCA). Your FPCA must be received by your local New York Board of Elections Office by August 19, 2011. **Go to [FVAP.gov](http://FVAP.gov) and get started! It only takes a few minutes!** Alternately you may obtain an FPCA from your unit or installation voting assistance officer and at U.S. embassies and consulates worldwide; but you must follow the New York instructions given at [FVAP.gov](http://FVAP.gov). Indicate on the FPCA how you would like to receive your absentee ballot, by mail, email, or fax. You **will not** receive a ballot automatically, even if you voted in the November 2, 2010 general election.

If you are already registered to vote, the deadline for submitting an FPCA to request a ballot is September 6, 2011.

To find out the status of your registration, you can refer to New York's voter registration verification website at: <https://voterlookup.elections.state.ny.us/votersearch.aspx>. To determine the status of your absentee ballot request, contact your local election office.

### **Send the FPCA by Email, Fax or Mail**

If you choose to **email** your FPCA, you should send the form to the email address listed below for the correct county office where you reside in the 9<sup>th</sup> Congressional District. If you choose to **fax** your FPCA, fax the form to the fax number listed below for the correct county office where you reside. You may also use the DoD Electronic Transmission Service to fax your FPCA toll-free. To use the Electronic Transmission Service, use the cover sheet available in the Voting Assistance Guide, or at [FVAP.gov](http://FVAP.gov), and fax to: (703)-693-5527, DSN 223-5527, or toll-free from the U.S., Canada, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands to 1-800-368-8683. International toll-free numbers can be found at [FVAP.gov](http://FVAP.gov). Voter Alert Telephone: 703-588-1584 E-mail: [vote@fvap.gov](mailto:vote@fvap.gov)

**Submit your FPCA to the District 9 election office in which you reside:**

The Board of Elections in the City of New York

Brooklyn Office

345 Adams Street, 4th Floor

Brooklyn, NY 11201

Telephone number: 718-797-8800

Fax number: 718-246-7324/718-246-5958

Email Contacts:

Rose Madden: [rmadden@boe.nyc.ny.us](mailto:rmadden@boe.nyc.ny.us)

Linda Jacobs: [ljacobs@boe.nyc.ny.us](mailto:ljacobs@boe.nyc.ny.us)

Board of Elections in the City of New York

Queens Office

126-06 Queens Boulevard

Kew Gardens, NY 11415

Telephone number : 718-730-6730

Fax number : 718/459-2473/718-459-3384

Email Contacts

Alba Martinez: [amartinez@boe.nyc.ny.us](mailto:amartinez@boe.nyc.ny.us)

Antonia Mione: [amione@boe.nyc.ny.us](mailto:amione@boe.nyc.ny.us)

**Receive Your Ballot**

Ballots will be mailed and emailed to you starting on **July 29th**, 2011. You may also access your ballot at: <https://www.secureballotusa.com/NY>

**Vote Your Ballot**

Your voted ballot must be **postmarked by September 12, 2011**, and must be **received by September 26, 2011**, in order to be counted.

You must return your voted ballot and signed affidavit by regular mail, or you can send it via a licensed motor carrier such as Federal Express, UPS or DSL.

Civilians residing outside the U.S.: Contact your closest U.S. Embassy or consulate for specific instructions on how voted ballots, with proper domestic postage attached, can be returned to the United States from any U.S. embassy or consulate. To locate your nearest U.S. embassy or consulate, visit <http://www.usembassy.gov/>.

If a voter is concerned about not receiving their ballot in time to vote, they may use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB, SF-186). The FWAB instructions are available at [www.FVAP.gov](http://www.FVAP.gov). The FWAB is also available in embassies and consulates and military installations around the world.

To check the status of your absentee ballot visit: <http://www.secureballotusa.com/NY>

**Additional Information**

Voter Alert



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State specific information on precincts, candidates, elections, and voting is available at the New York state board of elections website, <http://www.elections.state.ny.us/>.

FVAP can be contacted via 1-800-438-8683. Citizens may reach FVAP toll-free from 67 countries by using the toll-free numbers listed on the FVAP web portal, <http://www.fvap.gov/contact/index.html>. Questions regarding the above may also be referred to the Director, Federal Voting Assistance Program, Department of Defense, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC, 20301-1155, [vote@fvap.gov](mailto:vote@fvap.gov), and on the World Wide Web at [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov).

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