



CANDIDATE FOR ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 50 ANATHEA SIMPKINS CHALLENGES INCUMBENT EMILY GALLAGHER TO THREE DEBATES

North Brooklyn, NY — Today, candidate for Assembly District 50 Anathea Simpkins is challenging the incumbent Emily Gallagher to three debates before the June 25th Primary. The first debate will be held at St John’s Lutheran Church on 155 Milton Street, Greenpoint, NY 11222, on Saturday, May 25th, at 4:30 PM, moderated by Pastor Katrina Foster. Anathea is calling on other community groups, media and other concerned parties to host the next two debates in the weeks before the June 25th Primary.

The incumbent has vilified 96% of our community, calling us “barbarians,” refusing to meet with women who were assaulted, and excluding non-English speaking constituents from petitioning her office for help with housing, healthcare and other issues. This type of behavior is completely antithetical to building community and restoring a healthy Democratic Party that works for all residents in North Brooklyn. Anathea is running to restore a community-focused approach with compassionate leadership that brings disenfranchised residents back to the table.

New York State Assembly District 50 candidate Anathea Simpkins said, "Debates are an excellent opportunity to provide voters with the information they need to make a factual and clear decision on Election Day. My opponent has engaged in disturbing calls to action that are truly dangerous to women, religious groups, and the wider community. It’s time to correct the record, and that’s why I’m challenging her to debate me in three upcoming events."

About Anathea Simpkins

Anathea Simpkins, a dedicated single mother, anti-violence advocate, educator and 17-year Greenpoint resident, is running to represent the 50th Assembly District to address the housing crisis, champion quality education, and support small businesses. With 26 years of experience in education and violence prevention, Anathea brings a wealth of professional and personal experience that our residents need. Anathea's commitment to ensuring a safe, healthy, and prosperous future for all constituents drives her vision for a more equitable 50th Assembly District. Visit anatheaforny.com to learn more.

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