

**NEW YORK STATE SENATOR** 

Velmanette Montgomery

## Community Town Meeting on the New York State Constitutional Convention

Senator Velmanette Montgomery

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#### ISSUE:

- New York State Constitutional Convention
- Public Education
- Affordable Housing
- Labor Protections
- Environment





Please join Senator Velmanette Montgomery, Senate Democratic Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins, Assemblyman Walter T. Mosley, Assemblywoman Jo Anne Simon, Assemblywoman Tremaine S. Wright and Public Advocate Letitia James for a Community Town Hall Meeting on the New York State Constitutional Convention.

This November, voters will be asked to decide if our state should convene a Constitutional Convention. The New York State Constitution predates the United

States Constitution by ten years and provides greater protections for New Yorkers. This issue is of the utmost importance as every protection granted to residents will be open for modification.

The NYS Constitution CURRENTLY GUARANTEES rights and protections that will be at risk if a Constitutional Convention is convened. Come learn more about what's at stake for Seniors, Public Education, Unions, Workers' Rights, Housing, Safety Net Programs and the Environment.

#### **SEPTEMBER 19TH**

6PM - 8 PM

LAFAYETTE AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**85 SOUTH OXFORD STREET** 

**BROOKLYN, NY 11217** 

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UFCW Local 1500

United Federation of Teachers (UFT)

Teamsters Local 237

District Council 37 (DC 37)

United University Professions (UUP)

UAW, Region 9A

New York State Public Employees Federation (PEF)

#### **Panelists:**

Professor John Flateau, PhD - Medgar Evers College, CUNY

Michael Mulgrew - President, United Federation of Teachers

Henry Garrido - Executive Director, DC 37, AFSCME AFL-CIO

Jordan Marks - Campaign Manager, New Yorkers Against Corruption

John F. Sheehan - Director of Communications, Adirondack Council

Professor Helen Hershkoff - New York University

Adriene Holder - Attorney in Charge of Civil Practice, Legal Aid Society

Pick up your copy of the NYS Constitution!

Light Refreshments will be served.

To RSVP or for more information, contact: Jason Salmon 718-643-6140 / salmon@nysenate.gov

For more information about the meeting, download the attached flyer.

To read the New York State Constitution, download the PDF.

For more information about how the New York State Constitution differs from the United States Constitution, download the report "Protections in the New York State Constitution Beyond the Federal Bill of Right" edited by Scott N. Fein and Andrew B. Ayers.



State Senator Velmanette Montgomery Walter T. Mosley



Assemblyman



Assemblywoman Jo Anne Simon



Assemblywoman Tremaine S. Wright



Letitia James

#### **Sponsoring a Community Town Meeting on the**

### **NEW YORK STATE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION**

SEPTEMBER 19TH 6PM - 8 PM

Lafayette Avenue Presbyterian Church **85 South Oxford Street** Brooklyn, NY 11217 (corner of Lafayette Avenue)



SPECIAL GUEST:

Senate Democratic Conference Leader ANDREA STEWART-COUSINS

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