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**INDEPENDENT ACTIVISTS FROM ACROSS U.S.A
TO GATHER AT *INDEPENDENTS RISING*
NATIONAL CONFERENCE IN NEW YORK CITY**

MAYORAL HOPEFUL ADOLFO CARRION TO ADDRESS GATHERING

WHO: Jacqueline Salit, president of IndependentVoting.org, independent voter activists from her network in 40 states.

WHAT: *Independents Rising* – Seventh Biennial National Conference of Independents

WHERE: NYU Skirball Center for the Performing Arts
566 Laguardia Place, NY, NY

WHEN: Saturday, February 16, 2013
10:00 – 4:00 pm

- 10:30 am Keynote Address by Jacqueline Salit
- 11:00 am Changing the System to Change the Culture – Panel
- 1 – 2:30 pm Lunch Break
- 2:30 pm Why I Became an Independent - Panel
- 2:45 pm Remarks by Adolfo Carrion
- 3:00 pm Defying the Political Playbook: A Conversation (Adolfo Carrion and Jacqueline Salit)

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On Saturday, February 16, 2013, Jacqueline Salit will host a day long national conference of independent voters in New York City sponsored by IndependentVoting.org at the NYU Skirball Center for the Performing Arts located at 566 LaGuardia Place NY, NY.

“The parties and the political establishment are worried about the growth of independent power and the public demand for nonpartisan governance,” said Salit.

“Meanwhile, the fever of partisanship grips Washington. It lurches from crisis to crisis. Increasing numbers of Americans feel must do something about the way our political process operates, because the old culture does not permit Americans to come together in new ways.”

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