



Franklin Gomez Flores for County Commissioner District 5

Franklin Gomez Flores, a resident of Siler City, is seeking a seat on the Chatham County Board of Commissioners as the representative of District 5. To have his name listed on the ballot for the 2020 General Election in November, he needs the support of 2500 registered Chatham County voters willing to nominate him by signing his petition. Gomez is a registered Democrat but was unable to file for the primary due to legislation passed last year.

Born in Guatemala, Franklin fled the country's violence, poverty, and lack of opportunity with his family and came to Siler City in 1999. He was five years old. He attended Chatham County schools and credits the English as a Second Language program with helping him learn English and thrive academically. Franklin excelled at soccer and track and field at Jordan Matthews High School and graduated with honors among the top 10 students in his class. With the support of the Scholars' Latino Initiative, he entered UNC-Chapel Hill and graduated in 2016 with a bachelor's degree and a major in biology. While a student at UNC, Franklin served as an intern for the Office of Undergraduate Retention Finish Line Project, an outreach program especially intended to engage and support minority male students. He also mentored Latinx high school students by conducting college prep workshops that included information about navigating the applications process, meeting admissions requirements, securing financial aid, and succeeding academically and socially. He also served as outreach chair for UNC's Carolina Hispanic Association and interned for a summer with Gilded Realty Group in Mebane.

Currently employed by Charter Furniture in Liberty, Franklin has a passion for service to others. He currently serves on the Chatham County Planning Board. As a member of the Board of Commissioners, Franklin will fight for Chatham County on these issues:

- Increasing affordable housing
- Promoting responsible growth by following Chatham's Land Use Plan
- Advocating for equitable pay for equitable jobs
- Protecting immigrants' rights
- Supporting quality education for all
- Seeking the diverse perspectives of Chatham's citizens
- Providing responsible, collaborative leadership

Thank you for gathering petition signatures. Once you have a sheet completed, it needs to be turned in.

- You may give completed sheets to Alirio Estevez (alirioestevez1969@gmail.com) or Franklin Gomez (gfran0205@gmail.com).
- You may turn sheets in directly to the Chatham Board of Elections. We ask that you send a photograph to Chair@CCDPNC.org.
- You may turn sheets in to your precinct chair.
- You can turn sheets in at the CCDP office in Pittsboro. Please email Secretary@CCDPNC.org or Ecdlindemann@gmail.com to arrange a time.

If you have questions call CCDP at 919-913-7215.