

# 2020 QUALIFIED POLITICAL PARTY STATE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICE DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY

of

Spencer J. Cox

(print name exactly as it is to be printed on the official ballot – no amendments or modifications after 5 P.M. on March 19, 2020)

for the office of Governor

State of Utah }  
County of Sanpete } ss.

I, Spencer J. Cox, declare my intention of becoming a candidate for the office of Governor as a candidate for the Republican party. I do solemnly swear that: I will meet the qualifications to hold the office, both legally and constitutionally, if elected. I reside at [REDACTED] in the City or Town of [REDACTED], Utah, Zip Code [REDACTED], Phone No. 801-868-3269; I will not knowingly violate any law governing campaigns and elections; that, if filing via a designated agent, I will be out of the state of Utah during the entire candidate filing period; I will file all campaign financial disclosure reports as required by law; and I understand that failure to do so may result in my disqualification as a candidate for this office and removal of my name from the ballot. The mailing address that I designate for receiving official election notices is \_\_\_\_\_.

(Optional) I wish to classify my addresses listed above as protected records. By doing so, you must provide an alternative address or phone number.

Alternative Address OR Phone Number: PO Box 3431 SLC UT 84110

I am a member of the Republican political party;  
I am seeking the nomination using:

- The convention process described in Utah Code 20A-9-407;
- The signature-gathering process described in Utah Code 20A-9-408;
- Both the convention process and the signature-gathering process.

Spencer@votecox.com  
Email Address

votecox.com  
Website (optional)

[Signature]  
Signature of Candidate (must be notarized or be signed in the presence of the filing officer)

[Signature]  
Notary Public (or other officer qualified to administer oath)

Subscribed and sworn before me this 3/18/20  
(month/day/year)

Received

MAR 18 2020

(Date Received)

Spencer J. Cox  
Lieutenant Governor



(Seal)

Lieutenant Governor 2020

# QUALIFICATIONS FOR CANDIDATE FILING DECLARATION

Please initial:

SK The filing officer read the constitutional and statutory qualifications as listed below to me, and I meet those qualifications.

SK I agree to file all campaign financial disclosure reports, and I understand that failure to do so may result in my disqualification as a candidate for this office, possible fines and/or criminal penalties, including removal of my name from the ballot.

SK I received a copy of the pledge of fair campaign practices, and I understand that signing this pledge is voluntary.


SK I provided a valid email, or physical address if no email is available, and I understand this will be used for official communications and updates from election officials.

SK I understand I will receive all financial disclosure notices by email.

SK I prefer to also receive financial disclosure notices by mail at the following address:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

SK I understand my name will appear on the ballot as it is printed on this declaration of candidacy, and that I may not make any amendments or modifications after 5:00 P.M. on March 19, 2020.

SK I have received a copy of Section 20A-7-801 regarding the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website Program and its applicable deadline.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Candidate

3/18/20  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Filing Officer

3/18/20  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## QUALIFICATIONS

Before the filing officer accepts any declaration of candidacy, the filing officer shall read to the candidate the constitutional and statutory requirements for candidacy, and the candidate shall state whether he/she fulfills the requirements. If the candidate indicates that he/she does not qualify, the filing officer may not accept his/her declaration of candidacy (Utah Code Section 20A-9-201, 202).

### Governor and Lieutenant Governor

*Utah Constitution Article VII, Section 3*

- Utah resident for 5 years
- At least 30 years old at the time of election
- \*Qualified voter in the district from where the person is chosen
- \*\*Not convicted of certain crimes
- Governor – Pay filing fee of **\$834.13**
- Lieutenant Governor – Pay filing fee of **\$755.71**

### Attorney General, State Auditor, and State Treasurer

*Utah Constitution Article VII, Section 3*

- Utah resident for 5 years
- At least 25 years old at the time of election
- \*Qualified voter in the district from where the person is chosen
- \*\*Not convicted of certain crimes
- State Auditor & State Treasurer – Pay filing fee of **\$755.71**
- Attorney General – Pay filing fee of **\$794.92**
- Attorney General – Admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of Utah, and in good standing at the bar

\* A qualified voter (1) is a citizen of the United States; (2) is a resident of Utah; (3) will, on the date of that election: be at least 18 years old, and have been a resident of Utah for 30 days immediately before that election; (4) and has registered to vote.

\*\*An individual convicted of certain crimes loses the right to hold office until convictions have been expunged OR the individual meets all of the following requirements: (1) 10 years have passed since the individual's most recent felony conviction, (2) The individual paid all court-ordered restitution and fines; and (3) The individual completed probation, granted parole, or completed the term of incarceration associated with the felony. An individual convicted of an election related misdemeanor has restored their rights to hold office according to Utah Code 20A-2-101.3.



**PLEDGE OF FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES**  
(Utah Code §20A-9-206)

There are basic principles of decency, honesty, and fair play which every candidate for public office in the State of Utah has a moral obligation to observe and uphold, in order that, after vigorously contested but fairly conducted campaigns, our citizens may exercise their right to a free election, and that the will of the people may be fully and clearly expressed on the issues.

**THEREFORE:**

**I SHALL** conduct my campaign openly and publicly, discussing the issues as I see them, presenting my record and policies with sincerity and frankness, and criticizing, without fear or favor, the record and policies of my opponents that I believe merit criticism.

**I SHALL NOT** use, nor shall I permit the use of, scurrilous attacks on any candidate or the candidate's immediate family. I shall not participate in, nor shall I permit the use of, defamation, libel, or slander against any candidate or the candidate's immediate family. I shall not participate in, nor shall I permit the use of, any other criticism of any candidate or the candidate's immediate family that I do not believe to be truthful, provable, and relevant to my campaign.

**I SHALL NOT** use, nor shall I permit the use of, any practice that tends to corrupt or undermine our American system of free elections, or that hinders or prevents the free expression of the will of the voters, including practices intended to hinder or prevent any eligible person from registering to vote or voting.

**I SHALL NOT** coerce election help or campaign contributions for myself or for any other candidate from my employees or volunteers.

**I SHALL** immediately and publicly repudiate support deriving from any individual or group which resorts, on behalf of my candidacy or in opposition to that of an opponent, to methods in violation of the letter or spirit of this pledge. I shall accept responsibility to take firm action against any subordinate who violates any provision of this pledge or the laws governing elections.

**I SHALL** defend and uphold the right of every qualified American voter to full and equal participation in the electoral process.

I, the undersigned, candidate for election to public office in the State of Utah, hereby voluntarily endorse, subscribe to, and solemnly pledge myself to conduct my campaign in accordance with the above principles and practices."

Name: Spencer J Cox Office: Governor

Signature: [Handwritten Signature] Date: 3/18/20

**\*This is a voluntary pledge. Candidates are not required to sign this pledge of fair campaign practices.**

**\*This document is considered a public record and will be retained for public inspection until 30 days following the election.**