FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT REPUBLICAN PARTY OFFICIAL 2022 CONVENTION CALL

As Chairman of the Fifth Congressional District Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia, pursuant to the Republican Party of Virginia Plan of Organization, and as directed by the District Committee, I, William Pace, do hereby issue this call for a District Convention to be held:

Saturday, May 21, 2022 at 10:00 AM Kirby Field House at Hampden-Sydney College 198 Athletic Center Drive Farmville, VA 23901 OR

An alternate site if necessary for the following purposes:

a) Election of District Committee Chairman

- b) Election of Republican Nominee for U.S. House of Representatives
- c) Transaction of such other business as may properly come before the Convention

QUALIFICATIONS FOR PARTICIPATION:

All legal and qualified voters of the Fifth Congressional District under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, regardless of race, religion, national origin or sex, who are in accord with the principles of the Republican Party and who, if requested, express in open meeting either orally or in writing as may be required by their Republican unit committee, their intent to support all of its nominees for public office in the ensuing election, may participate as a member of the Republican Party of Virginia in this Fifth Congressional District Convention.

DELEGATE CHECK-IN:

Convention check-in shall begin at 8:30 AM EDT and shall conclude at 10:00 AM. All Delegates in line at 10:00 AM shall be allowed to check-in. The Convention shall be called to order at 10:00 AM or upon completion of check-in of all Delegates in line at 10:00 AM. Upon commencement of the first ballot for any office and thereafter, no quorum call or point of order regarding the quorum of the Convention, or of any Committee thereof, shall be in order.

MILITARY MEMBERS AS DELEGATES:

Military Members (any members of the Virginia National Guard, or the United States Armed Forces, Merchant Marine, or Coast Guard currently serving on active duty) may be certified as delegates by complying with the procedures detailed in a Unit's call pursuant to Art. VIII, Sec. H, para. 6. Military Member delegates or alternate delegates that are unable to attend the convention in person due to obligations of their official military orders, shall have their votes cast within their unit delegation according to candidate preference ballots.

Candidate preference ballots will be made available by the Fifth District Committee no later than April 16, 2022, and will be made available on the Fifth District Republican Committee website or upon request by e-mail to sabragear@gmail.com. Candidate preference ballots must be received by the Recording Secretary no later than May 11, 2022, by email to sabragear@gmail.com or by physical delivery to 250 Sunny Point Lane, Boydton, VA 23917.

COMPOSITION OF THE CONVENTION:

The District Convention shall be composed of delegates and alternate delegates of the respective units they represent. Each Unit shall have one delegate vote per 250 votes of "Republican Voting Strength" as defined in the Republican Party of Virginia Plan of Organization ("The Party Plan"). Delegates and alternates shall be elected in county and city mass meetings, party canvasses, or conventions called for this purpose by each unit committee in conformity with the Plan. The maximum number of delegates and delegate votes of each Unit shall be as follows:

Locality	Delegate Vote	Max # Delegates
Albemarle County	160	800
Amelia County	40	200
Amherst County	83	415
Appomattox County	51	255
Bedford County	122	610
Buckingham County	34	170
Campbell County	158	790
Charlotte County	29	145
Charlottesville City	29	145
Cumberland County	23	115
Danville City	53	265
Fluvanna County	61	305
Goochland County	78	390
Halifax County	76	380
Hanover County	65	325
Louisa County	100	500
Lunenburg County	26	130
Lynchburg City	123	615
Mecklenburg County	69	345
Nelson County	36	180
Nottoway County	30	150
Pittsylvania County	173	865
Powhatan County	107	535
Prince Edward County	33	165
Unit Totals	1,759	8,795

The number of alternates a unit may have shall equal the number of delegates to which it is entitled. The delegates present in each unit delegation shall designate which alternate delegate(s) shall vote in the place of an absent delegate(s) except where the body electing the delegates has determined another method.

DISTRICT CONVENTION VOLUNTARY REGISTRATION FEE:

Every person elected as a Delegate or Alternate Delegate to the Fifth Congressional District Convention will be asked to pay a voluntary fee to help cover the Convention expenses. A \$25 voluntary fee can be paid to the Fifth District Republican Committee. Seating will be determined by the number for Delegates who are certified. Preference seating will be given based on the number of Delegates in a Unit who pay the voluntary filing fee. Delegates may pay the voluntary fee online at <u>http://www.5thdistrictva.gop/</u>.

CERTIFICATION OF DELEGATES:

Units may or may not, per their Official Calls, have their Delegates or Alternates submit paper pre-files.

If a person pre-files with his or her local unit committee, that person must use the Delegate Form attached to this Call. Whether filed by email, via postal mail, or other methods, all Delegate filings must be received by the date specified in the Unit's Official Call for the Mass Meeting, Canvass, or Convention at which the Delegate is standing for election. Postmarks do not govern for forms submitted to a unit committee. Once credentialing of the prospective delegate has been completed by the local unit, the Unit Chairman (or his/her designee) should send an email update to the prospective delegate, providing the preliminary acceptance or rejection of his/her filing, prior to the unit's delegate election process. However, in the absence of this feedback, the Delegate should confirm ultimate filing success with his/her Unit Chairman prior to that unit committee's Mass Meeting, Canvass, or Convention at which the Delegate is standing for election.

Units choosing not to pre-file Delegates and Alternates are instructed to also collect Delegate information using the attached Delegate Form for each individual at their mass meeting, canvass, or convention. <u>All forms submitted to a Unit must contain the Delegate's signature</u>.

To the Unit Chairman or Permanent Chairman and Permanent Secretary of the Unit Mass Meeting, Convention, or Party Canvass: All Certifications and applicable fees received by the Unit, regardless of the date of the Unit Mass Meeting, Canvass, or Convention must be submitted no later than **April 11, 2022 at 5:00 PM.** It is the responsibility of the Unit Chair to confirm receipt of the certifications and fees with the Fifth District Chairman.

After the filing deadline of the certification, no change may be made, except a certified alternate delegate may be made a delegate.

Certification packets from each Unit should include the following:

a) A copy of the Unit Call of the Mass Meeting, Canvass, or Convention called for the purpose of selecting Delegates and Alternate Delegates to the Fifth District Convention.

b) Unit check for Convention fees remitted by Fifth District Convention Delegates who filed with the Unit.

c) For each delegate who filed with the Unit, the original or a copy of Fifth District Delegate application of elected Delegates or Alternates.

d) For each delegate who was disqualified by the Unit, documentation of the reason(s) for the disqualification.

e) Printed copy of the unit's official Excel spreadsheet listing Delegates.

f) Completed Delegate Certification form attached to this Call.

Certification packets should be mailed or delivered as follows:

First Copy to: William Pace, Chair Fifth Congressional District of Virginia Republican Committee P.O. Box 212 Chatham, VA 24531

Second Copy to: Sabra Gear, Recording Secretary Fifth Congressional District of Virginia Republican Committee 250 Sunny Point Lane Boydton, VA 23917

Third Copy: Unit's permanent records

CANDIDACY FILING REQUIREMENTS:

Any person who desires to seek election at the District Convention shall file a completed and signed Declaration of Candidacy, no later than **5:00 PM**, February **15**, **2022** to Marian Dixon at P.O. Box 75, Lovingston, VA 22949. Postmarks will not govern, and it is the responsibility of the candidate to confirm receipt of their Declaration with the Fifth District Chairman or Marian Dixon (email address is Marian_Dixon@msn.com). The Declaration of Candidacy form is attached to this Call and a separate form must be completed for each position a Candidate seeks.

The following candidates, in addition to the signed declaration of candidacy, shall pay a nonrefundable filing fee, via a check made payable to the "5th Congressional District of Virginia Republican Committee":

Candidate for Congress \$6,960.00 Candidate for District Chairman \$700.00

If only one candidate each properly files for both District Chairman and Congressional Candidate, then those candidates shall be deemed elected and the convention shall be cancelled.

BALLOTING:

Balloting shall not begin before 10:30 AM or until all Convention Delegates in line by 10:00 AM have been registered.

RESOLUTIONS:

All resolutions must be submitted to the District Chairman no later than April 11, 2022. Postmarks will not govern for resolutions mailed. It is the responsibility of the resolution patron to confirm receipt of the resolution submitted to the District Chairman.

Resolutions shall be emailed to Chairman William Pace (pittsylvaniagop@gmail.com) and carbon copied to Secretary Sabra Gear (sabragear@gmail.com) or sent via US Mail to:

William Pace, Chair Fifth Congressional District of Virginia Republican Committee P.O. Box 212 Chatham, VA 24531

INFORMATION PROVIDED TO CANDIDATES:

Within five (5) days of his receipt of each unit's official Excel spreadsheet listing Delegates, the Fifth Congressional District of Virginia Republican Committee's Recording Secretary shall email this spreadsheet to the following individuals:

- 1) All candidates for District Chairman
- 2) All candidates for Congress

INFORMATION PROVIDED TO DELEGATES:

On or before **April 30, 2022**, the following information will be emailed to each Unit Chairman for subsequent distribution to each Delegate certified by that Unit:

- 1) Candidates for Congress
- 2) Candidates for District Chairman
- 3) Properly Filed Resolutions
- 4) Proposed Convention Rules

PUBLICATION:

This Call shall be posted on the website of the Republican Party of Virginia (<u>https://virginia.gop/events/category/official-call/</u>) and may be published on the Fifth Congressional District Republican Committee (<u>http://www.5thdistrictva.gop/District-Convention</u>.)

All unit committees shall concurrently publish their calls on the Republican Party of Virginia (https://virginia.gop/events/category/official-call/) and may publish on the Fifth Congressional District Republican Committee website (http://5thdistrictva.gop/District-Convention) when the calls are published locally by the respective unit committees.

The Convention shall be conducted in accordance with the Plan of Organization of the Republican Party of Virginia, Bylaws of the Fifth Congressional District of Virginia Republican Committee, and Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, 12th Edition.

CALL REVISIONS:

The Executive Committee of the Fifth District Republican Committee (Executive Committee) is authorized to revise the issued Call to make any such technical or conforming changes in the event such changes are necessary. Executive Committee must promptly notify the Fifth District Republican Committee of any such technical or conforming changes.

Paid for and Authorized by the Fifth Congressional District of Virginia Republican Committee