OFFICIAL CALL 2021 LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT CONVENTION of the 33rd House of Delegates District of the Republican Party of Virginia

As Chairman of the 33rd House Legislative District Committee of the Republican Party, and pursuant to the Plan of Organization of the Republican Party of Virginia, and as recommended and directed by the Committee, I, Mark Sell, Chairman, do hereby issue this Call for a Legislative District Convention to be held at **16980 Hillsboro Road**, **Purcellville, VA 20132,** or alternate location, beginning at 10:00 AM Eastern Time, with registration beginning at 8:30 AM, and ending at 10:00 AM on **Saturday, June 5, 2021**, for the purpose of nominating a Republican candidate for the office of **Delegate** for the November 2, 2021 General Election, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the convention.

Qualifications for Participation

All legal and qualified voters 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 their intent to support all of its nominees for public office in the ensuing election may participate as members of the Republican Party of Virginia in its mass meetings, party canvasses, conventions, or primaries encompassing their respective election districts.

Composition of Convention

The Convention shall be composed of delegates and alternate delegates of the respective units they represent. Representation shall be based on a percentage of the total number of Republican votes cast in each county and city in the last gubernatorial and presidential election combined. Each unit is allowed one (1) Delegate Vote for each five hundred (500) Republican votes cast or major portion thereof. Each unit shall be entitled to at least one (1) Delegate Vote. The delegates and alternates shall be elected in county and city mass meetings, party canvasses or conventions that shall be called for this purpose in conformity with the Plan of Organization of the Republican Party of Virginia by each unit committee.

Any member of the United States Armed Forces, the Coast Guard, the Merchant Marine

or the Virginia National Guard who is otherwise qualified under Article I of the Party Plan and who complies with the procedures to become a delegate to the Convention, or to any mass meeting or party canvass called for the purpose of selecting delegates to it, and who produces valid military identification or other proof of active duty status shall be certified as a delegate, and shall not be required to be elected as a delegate. Military delegates who are unable to participate in the Convention in person due to obligations of their official military orders shall have their votes cast within their respective unit delegations, via candidate preference ballots prepared and distributed by the 33rd House LDC Chairman (mark.sell@gmail.com or 703-307-9172) at least 20 days prior to the Convention and returned to the 33rd House LDC Chairman no later than 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on June 1, 2021. Postmarks, or other proof of posting or dispatch, shall not govern.

	Republican Party		
Unit	Voting Strength	Delegates	Alternates
Clarke	13	65	65
Frederick	20	100	100
Loudoun	63	315	315
Total	96	480	480

Certification of Delegates

The delegates present in a given delegation shall designate which alternate delegates shall vote in the place of an absent delegate except where the electing body electing the delegates has determined another method of alternate delegate selection. The said delegates and alternate delegates to the Convention so elected shall be certified in writing with their respective names and addresses including zip codes over the signatures of the permanent chairman and permanent secretary of the unit mass meeting or convention, or of the unit chairman of the unit committee which may have conducted a party canvass to select the delegates and alternate delegates.

All certifications must be delivered prior to the convening of said convention. After the filing deadline of the certifications, no change may be made except a certified alternate delegate may be made a delegate. A copy of the published call of the convention, mass meeting or party canvass called for the purpose of selecting delegates and alternate delegates to said convention, must accompany the certification with the date of publication included. Certification should be mailed or delivered as follows:

Original – Mark Sell, Legislative District Chairman, 1012 Smartts Lane, Leesburg, Virginia 20176 Second Copy – Mark Tate, Legislative District Secretary, 307 Archer Court, Berryville VA 22611 Third Copy – For the unit's records

A delegate or alternate delegate is not certified until his name, address and phone number has been provided on the certification.

A voluntary, non-refundable registration fee of \$15 is requested for each delegate and alternate to the convention. Checks, made payable to the Loudoun County Republican Committee (memo line 33rd House District) for said registration fee must accompany the certification for each delegation sent to the Legislative District Chairman, along with the names of delegates and alternates who have paid said registration fee.

Candidate Filing Requirements

Candidates for the Republican nomination for the Virginia 33rd House Seat shall file a written statement by mail or in person, along with the appropriate filing fee, to **Mark Sell**, **Legislative District Committee Chairman**, **1012 Smartts Lane**, **Leesburg**, **VA 20176**, (Ph: 703-307-9172) which must be received **not later than 6:00 PM Eastern Time**, **Wednesday**, **March 10**, **2021**. Postmarks shall not govern. The statement must have an original wet ink signature and include a Statement of Qualification indicating his/her intent to support all Republican Party of Virginia nominees in the ensuing election. A non-refundable filing fee of \$700.00, payable to Loudoun County Republican Committee, must also accompany the signed statement.

Only those candidates who have properly filed for the Republican nomination for the 33rd House of Delegates will be considered for nomination at the Convention; nominations from the floor will not be allowed. If only one person files then that prefiled candidate shall be declared the nominee for the 33rd House of Delegates seat, and the convention will be canceled.

Convention Temporary Committees

Chairmen and members of the Temporary Convention Committees shall be appointed by the 33rd House Legislative District Committee Chairman and shall meet in advance of the Convention on the call of the appointed Temporary Committee Chairmen and/or the 33rd House Legislative District Committee Chairman to perform their duties subject to ratification by the delegates present and voting at the Convention. These committees shall include Nominations, Credentials, Rules, Resolutions and Tellers and any other committees that the 33rd House Legislative District Committee Chairman deems necessary.

The 33rd House Legislative District Committee voted unanimously to waive the newspaper publication requirement in the Republican Party of Virginia Plan of Organization.

The 33rd House Legislative District Committee Chairman is hereby authorized to publish this Call at all times and in all manners necessary to meet all requirements as identified in the RPV Plan of Organization.

Paid for and authorized by the 33rd House Legislative District Committee, 1012 Smartts Lane, Leesburg, VA 20176 – 703-307-9172

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