OFFICIAL CALL

Mass Meeting of the Amelia County Republican Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia

 I, Martha Muniz, Chairman of the Amelia County Republican Committee, pursuant to the State Party Plan and as directed by the Republican Committee, do hereby issue this call for a Mass Meeting of the Amelia County Republican Party to be held on May 12, 2021, at the Amelia County Administration Building, 16360 Dunn St., Amelia, VA 23002, or at its alternate site if necessary, starting at 7:00 PM EDT local time, with registration from 6:15 to 6:45 PM EDT.

 **QUALIFICATIONS FOR PARTICIPATION**: All legal and qualified voters of Amelia County 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 a member of the Amelia County Republican Party in its mass meetings, party canvasses, conventions, or primaries encompassing their respective election districts. In addition to the foregoing, to be in accord with the principles of the Republican Party, unless otherwise stipulated by the appropriate Official Committee, a person otherwise qualified hereunder shall not have participated in Virginia in the nomination process of a party other than the Republican Party within the last five years. A single exception to the above paragraph shall be approved for a voter that renounces affiliation with any other party in writing, and who expresses in writing that he/she is in accord with the principles of the Republican Party and intends, at the time of the writing, to support the nominees of the Republican Party in the future. Any voter that utilizes the foregoing exception, and thereafter participates in the nomination process of a party other than the Republican Party, shall not have the benefit of this exception thereafter. Voters wishing to participate in the Mass Meeting must be properly registered to vote in Amelia County and may be required to produce personal identification, such as a valid driver's license or a Commonwealth of Virginia Voter Registration Card issued by the Amelia County Registrar. A person who has made application for registration and meets all other requirements of the Qualifications for Participation, but whose name does not appear on the local registration books solely because of the books having been closed in connection with a local election, will nevertheless be deemed a legal and qualified voter.

 **PURPOSES**: The purposes of the Meeting: (1) To nominate Republican Candidates for the following offices: Members of the Board of Supervisors – Mattoax District ( Voting District 2) and Mannboro District (Voting District 5), and for the transaction of any other business that may properly come before the Mass Meeting.

**CONDUCT OF THE MASS MEETING**: The Mass Meeting shall be conducted in accordance with the Republican State Party Plan of Organization, the Amelia County Republican Committee Bylaws.

**CANDIDACY FILING REQUIREMENTS**: Any person seeking election to any of the offices listed above under “Purposes” must file a written declaration of candidacy with Martha Muniz, Chairman of the Amelia County Republican Committee, P.O. Box 101 Amelia, VA 23002, along with a filing fee of $50.00. The statement of candidacy must include (1) a statement that the candidate is in accord with the principles of the Republican Party as exemplified by the Virginia Republican Creed; (2) a pledge to support all of the Republican Party’s nominees for office in the ensuing General Election; and (3) a pledge not to allow his name to appear on the ballot of the ensuing General Election under any other circumstances, nor to accept write-in votes should he not be the nominee of the Republican Party. Candidacy Declaration forms will be provided. All declarations of candidacy must be received by 5:00 PM EDT, May 5, 2021. Postmarks shall not be considered. Nominations may not be made from the floor.

 **FEES:** There is no mandatory fee for participating in the Mass Meeting.

**Publication/Delegation to Chair:** The Amelia County Republican Committee voted at a duly called meeting on March 30th, 2021, to approve the terms of this Call and written declaration of candidacy to the Chairman and to delegate the authority to make all necessary arrangements for the Mass Meeting and to all necessary revisions to this Call and the Candidacy form after their adoption. This call will be published at RPV.org. The Unit Committee has eliminated the requirement to publish this call in a newspaper of general circulation by a two-thirds vote.

\*Authorized and paid for by the Amelia County Republican Committee