#### **OFFICIAL CALL**

District Convention of the Tenth Congressional District of the Republican Party of Virginia
May 30, 2020 at 10:00 AM Local Time
Shenandoah University
James R. Wilkins, Jr. Athletics & Events Center
1188 Ralph Shockey Drive
Winchester, VA 22602
Amended May 13, 2020

As District Chairman of the Tenth Congressional District of the Republican Party of Virginia, pursuant to the Plan of Organization and as recommended and directed by the District Committee, I, Matt Leeds, do hereby issue this call for a District Convention to be held at Shenandoah University, James R. Wilkins, Jr. Athletics & Events Center, 1188 Ralph Shockey Drive, Winchester, VA 22602, or its alternate site, starting at 10 am local time on Saturday June 20, 2020\*, for the following purposes:

- 1. Electing a District Chairman;
- 2. Nominating a Republican candidate for member of the U.S. House of Representatives to be voted for at the election on Tuesday, November 3, 2020;
- 3. Nominating a Republican candidate for elector for President and Vice-President of the United States to be voted for at the election on Tuesday, November 3, 2020;
- 4. Electing three members of the State Central Committee for a term of four years or until their successors are elected;
- 5. Electing three delegates and three alternate delegates to the Republican National Convention to be held in Charlotte, North Carolina from August 24 27, 2020;

and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the convention.

Registration begins at 8am local time and ends at 11am local time. The election of permanent convention officers and adoption of the rules shall begin at 10am local time or as reasonably practical thereafter. No other election shall occur prior to 11am local time.

## **Qualifications for Participation**

All legal and qualified voters of the Tenth 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 their intent to support all of its nominees for public office in the November 3, 2020 election may, as members of the Republican Party of Virginia, be elected as delegates or alternate delegates to this convention, subject to the provisions in Article I of the Plan of Organization.

Delegates and alternate delegates must present one of the forms of identification listed in § 24.2-643 of the Code of Virginia in order to participate.

\*Amended by unanimous vote of the committee to change convention date from May 30, 2020 to June 20, 2020.

### **Registration Fees**

The registration fee for delegates is \$25 payable to the individual unit. Any delegate who fails to pay the registration fee may participate only in the nomination of candidates for U.S. House Of Representatives and Presidential Elector.

## **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. Such military members shall count towards each unit's maximum allowable number of convention delegates.

Candidate preference ballots will be made available by the District Chairman, or his designee, no later than Sunday, May 10, 2020, upon request by e-mail to convention@vagop10.com). Candidate preference ballots must be received by the District Chairman, or his designee, no later than 8:00 pm local time, Wednesday, May 27, 2020, by e-mail to convention@vagop10.com or by physical delivery to 1919 Withers Larue Rd., Berryville, VA 22611.

# **Composition of Convention**

Delegate votes are allocated to the units (counties and cities) in the District as follows: Each unit is allocated one delegate vote for each 250 votes or major portion thereof cast for the Republican nominee in the last preceding Gubernatorial and Presidential elections combined; provided that each unit shall be allocated at least one delegate vote.

Delegates and alternate delegates shall be elected in unit mass meetings, party canvasses, or conventions called in conformity with the Plan of Organization. Each unit may elect no more than five delegates and three alternate delegates for each delegate vote allocated.

Unit	Republican Party Voting Strength	Maximum Number of Delegates	Maximum Number of Alternates
Clarke County	32	160	96
Fairfax County	290	1450	870
Frederick County	166	830	498
Loudoun County	466	2330	1398
Manassas City	40	200	120
Manassas Park City	12	60	36
Prince William County	110	550	330
Winchester City	32	160	96
Total	1148	5580	3444

### **Certification of Delegates**

Delegates and alternate delegates to a the Convention shall be certified to the Convention, in the case of those selected by a Mass Meeting or Convention, by the permanent chairman and permanent secretary of the Mass Meeting or Convention, or, in the case of those selected by a Party Canvass or those declared elected pursuant to the call of a cancelled Mass Meeting, Party Canvass, or Convention, by the chairman of the unit committee.

Certifications must be delivered to the District Chairman and Secretary no later than Saturday, May 23, 2020. After this deadline, no change may be made except that an alternate delegate may take the place of a delegate. Certifications may be delivered by e-mail to Matt Leeds <convention@vagop10.com>and Ben Bush <secretary@vagop10.com> or by physical delivery to 1919 Withers Larue Rd., Berryville, VA 22611.

Certifications must include at least the name and address appearing on the voter registration rolls of each delegate and alternate, as well as an indication of which delegates or alternates, if any, are Military Members certified as delegates pursuant to Art. VIII, Sec. H, para. 6 of the Plan of Organization, so that the eligibility of such delegates or alternates to have their votes cast by candidate preference ballot may be determined.

A voluntary, non-refundable registration fee of \$25.00 is requested for each delegate and alternate to the convention. EACH UNIT'S PAYMENT (MADE PAYABLE TO THE 10TH DISTRICT REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE) FOR SAID REGISTRATION FEES MUST ACCOMPANY THE CERTIFICATION FOR EACH DELEGATION SENT TO THE DISTRICT CHAIRMAN, ALONG WITH THE NAMES OF DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES WHO HAVE PAID SAID REGISTRATION FEES. These fees are subject to the limits and prohibitions of the Federal Election Campaign Act.

Unless the certification states how an allocation of votes is to be fractionalized, the delegates present, and voting may cast the full vote of the delegation.

Unless the certification includes an order from the Mass Meeting, Party Canvass, or Convention establishing a different method, the delegates from the unit shall designate which alternate shall vote in place of an absent delegate.

The District Chairman shall be responsible for preparing from the certifications a roll of delegates and alternate delegates which shall be the official roll of delegates and alternate delegates who may vote at the Convention, unless and until changed by the Convention.

Unit Chairmen shall make available, upon request, to a duly filed candidate for public or party office to be filled at the convention the list of delegates, including all contact information provided by the delegates within 14 days of the delegates' election if 250 or fewer delegates are elected or within 21 days if more than 250 delegates have been elected.

Candidates for election or nomination at the Convention shall file the "10<sup>th</sup> District Republican Committee 2020 official filing form" (filing form) with Matt Leeds by e-mail at <convention@vagop10.com> or by physical delivery at 1919 Withers Larue Rd., Berryville, VA 22611. The filing form be received by the deadline; postmarks are not evidence of receipt by the deadline.

Candidates for election as District Chairman shall file the filing form by 12 p.m. (noon) local time, Sunday, February 2, 2020, and shall include with their filing form a non-refundable filing fee of \$1000 paid in the form of a check or money order made payable to the 10th District Committee.

Candidates for nomination for member of the U.S. House of Representatives must file the filing form by 12 p.m. (noon) local time, Sunday, February 2, 2020, and shall include with their filing form a non-refundable filing fee of \$6,960 paid in the form of a check or money order made payable to the 10th District Committee.

Candidates for election for member of the Electoral College must file the filing form by 12 p.m. (noon) local time, Sunday, February 2, 2020, and shall include with their filing form a non-refundable filing fee of \$250 paid in the form of a check or money order made payable to the 10th District Committee.

Candidates for election for member of the State Central Committee must file the filing form by 12 p.m. (noon) local time, Sunday, February 2, 2020, and shall include with their filing form a non-refundable filing fee of \$250 paid in the form of a check or money order made payable the 10th District Committee.

Candidates for election as delegate to the Republican National Convention must file the filing form by 12 p.m. (noon) local time, Sunday, February 2, 2020, and shall include with their filing form a non-refundable filing fee of \$250 paid in the form of a check or money order made payable to the 10th District Committee.

Candidates for election as alternate delegate to the Republican National Convention must file filing form by 12 p.m. (noon) local time, Sunday, February 2, 2020, and shall include with their filing form a non-refundable filing fee of \$250 paid in the form of a check or money order made payable to the 10th District Committee.

Only those candidates who have properly pre-filed will stand for nomination and election at the Convention. Nominations from the floor are not allowed. If the number of persons prefiling as candidates for election at the Convention does not exceed the number to be elected or nominated for a particular office, once the appropriate Convention Committee determines that such persons meet the requirements of Article I of the State Party Plan, the Convention Chair shall declare them elected or nominated.

**Committees/Rules** 

Members of the Temporary Convention Committees, to include Arrangements, Credentials, Nominations, Tellers, Resolutions, and Rules shall be appointed by the 10th District Republican Congressional Committee Chairman and shall meet in advance of the Convention (at the discretion of the Temporary Chairman of each such Committee and the District Chairman) to perform their duties subject to ratification by the delegates present and voting at the Convention. The State Party Plan, the Call of the Convention, and the Rules adopted by the Convention shall take precedence in governing the Convention. Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall also govern insofar as they do not conflict with the State Party Plan, the Call of the Convention, and the Convention Rules.

Resolutions must be submitted in their entirety to the Chairman of the Resolutions Committee not later than noon on Saturday, May 9, 2020. Resolutions and the accompanying business of each resolution shall be considered after the candidate speeches and before the reporting of the balloting totals. Resolutions, or amendments to the reported resolutions, from the floor are not permitted and any motion to propose either is out of order.

### Publication

This Call with the Filing Form shall be posted on the website of the Republican Party of Virginia (www.RPV.org) and issued by the District Chairman to the Chairman of all unit committees for units included in the District no later than April 30, 2020.

Authorized and Paid for by the 10<sup>th</sup> District Republican Congressional Committee.