OFFICIAL CALL

Mass Meeting

Wise County/City of Norton Republican Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia

As Chairman of the Wise County/City of Norton Republican Committee, and pursuant to the Plan of Organization and as recommended and directed by the Committee, I, Kimberly Mullins, do hereby issue this call for a Mass Meeting to be held at Wise Fire Hall, 307 Norton Road, Wise VA 24293, starting at 6:00PM local time (with registration opening at 5:00PM on Monday, March 2, 2020 for the following purposes:

- To elect a unit chairman, vice-chairman, treasurer, secretary, and members to the unit committee as follows: Appalachia Precinct 2, Big Stone Gap Precinct 6, CVC Precinct 6, Dorchester Precinct 2, East Stone Gap Precinct 8, East Pound Precinct 2, Guest River Precinct 2, North Coeburn Precinct 2, South Coeburn Precinct 6, St. Paul Precinct 2, West Pound Precinct 8, Wise Precinct 10, and City of Norton Precinct 4.
- 2. Electing up to 405 Delegates and an equal number of Alternates to the Republican Party of Virginia State Convention, to be held on Friday, May 1, 2020 and Saturday, May 2, 2020, at Greater Richmond Convention Center, 403 N 3rd St, Richmond, VA 23219, or its alternate site, opening at 2:30 p.m. on May 1 for the purposes of:
 - a. electing a State Chairman,
 - b. nominating a National Committeeman and National Committeewoman,
 - c. electing 12 at-large delegates and 12 at-large alternate delegates to the 2020 Republican National Convention,
 - d. binding Virginia Delegates to the 2020 Republican National Convention as to their choice for President on the first ballot by a Presidential Preference Poll,
 - e. nominating 2 electors at-large to serve in the 2020 Electoral College, and
 - f. the transaction of other business as may properly come before the Convention.

Each unit is entitled to one (1) Delegate Vote per 250 Republican votes cast for Governor and President at their last election, so that Wise County/City of Norton is entitled to 81 Delegate Votes;

- 3. Electing up to 405 Delegates and an equal number of Alternates to the Ninth Congressional District Republican Convention, to be held on Saturday, April 18, 2020 at George Wythe High School, #1 Maroon Way, Wytheville, VA 24382, or its alternate site, beginning at 10:00 a.m. (with registration from 8:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.) for the purposes of:
 - a. electing a District Chairman,
 - b. electing 3 members to the State Central Committee,
 - c. electing 3 delegates and 3 alternate delegates to the 2020 Republican National Convention,
 - d. nominating 1 elector to serve in the 2020 Electoral College, and
 - e. the transaction of other business as may properly come before the Convention.

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4. And for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the mass meeting.

Qualifications for Participation

All legal and qualified voters of Wise County/City of Norton 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.

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 this 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 this writing, to support the nominees of the Republican Party in the future. Any voter that utilizes the forgoing exception, and thereafter participates in the nomination process of a party other than the Republican Party, shall not have the benefit of the exception thereafter.

Voters may be required to produce personal identification such as a valid photo ID that is acceptable for voting purposes in order to participate.

Filing Requirements

Candidates for election for UNIT CHAIRMAN, VICE-CHAIRMAN, TREASURER, SECRETARY, Members of the Wise County/City of Norton Republican Committee, or as a delegate or alternate delegate to the Republican Party of Virginia State Convention and/or the Ninth Congressional District Republican Convention at said mass meeting shall file a written statement by mail or in person, to Kimberly Mullins, PO Box 970, Norton, VA 24273 or 538 Park Ave SW, Norton, VA 24273, which must be received not later than **5:00PM on Tuesday, February 25, 2020** and accompanied by any fees required. Postmarks shall not govern.

Official filing forms are available online at va9gop.org, rpv.org or by contacting Kimberly Mullins, PO Box 970, Norton VA 24273 or 538 Park Ave, Norton VA 24273, 276-275-7388 or kimdmullins2011@hotmail.com.

Candidacy filing fees are as follows:

- Unit Chairman \$25.00 filing fee.
- Unit Vice-Chairman \$25.00 filing fee.
- Unit Secretary \$25.00 filing fee.
- Unit Treasurer \$25.00 filing fee.
- Unit Committee Member \$25.00 filing fee.
- Delegate/Alternate Delegate to the Republican Party of Virginia State Convention \$35.00 registration fee (Any delegate who fails to pay the registration fee may participate only in the Presidential Preference Poll).
- Delegate/Alternate Delegate to the Ninth District Republican Convention \$10.00 registration fee (voluntary).

Please make checks payable to the Wise County/City of Norton Republican Committee.

<u>Uncontested Offices/Cancellation of Mass Meeting</u>

If no more than one candidate files for election to any office to be voted upon at the mass meeting, that candidate will be declared elected. If fewer than the maximum number of unit committee members that Wise County/City of Norton Republican Committee has established pre-file, all properly pre-filed candidates shall be declared elected to the applicable unit committee membership position. If fewer than the maximum number of Delegates that Wise County/City of Norton is entitled to at any convention pre-file, all properly pre-filed candidates shall be declared elected. If there are no contested offices to be voted upon at the mass meeting, then no mass meeting will be held.

Registration Fees for Mass Meeting & Convention

There will be no registration fee to participate in the Wise County/City of Norton Republican Committee Mass Meeting.

There is a voluntary registration fee of \$35.00 for each delegate/alternate delegate elected to the Republican Party of Virginia State Convention. Any delegate who fails to pay the registration fee for the State Convention may participate only in the Presidential Preference Poll. Fees are requested to be paid at the time of filing for election as a Delegate. Please make checks payable to the Wise County/City of Norton Republican Committee, which will forward the registration fee to the Republican Party of Virginia.

There is a voluntary registration fee of \$10.00 for each delegate/alternate delegate elected to the Ninth Congressional District Republican Convention. Fees are requested to be paid at the time of filing for election as a Delegate. Please make checks payable to the Wise County/City of Norton Republican Committee, which will forward the registration fee to the Ninth Congressional District Republican Convention.

Paid for and authorized by the Wise County/City of Norton Republican Committee
Kimberly Mullins, Chairman
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