

Call for a Republican Party Canvass in Chesterfield County to Elect Delegates to the State, Fourth and Seventh Congressional District Conventions, and to Elect Officers and Members of the Chesterfield County Republican Committee.

Adopted January 27, 2020

I, Tara C. Carroll, Chairwoman of the Chesterfield County Republican Committee, pursuant to the Republican State Party Plan and as directed by the Chesterfield County Republican Committee, do hereby issue this Call for a Party Canvass to be held on Monday, March 23, 2020 from 5-7:30 PM EDT at the Thomas Fulghum Conference Center (13900 Hull Street Road, Midlothian, VA 23112) for the following purposes: (1) To elect up to 2,870 Delegates and an equal number of Alternate Delegates to cast 574 delegate votes at the Republican Party of Virginia State Convention to be held on May 1-2, 2020 (convening on 5/1/20 at 2:30 PM EDT and on 5/2/20 at 10:00 AM EDT) at Liberty University Vines Center, Lynchburg, VA (or its alternate site), for the purpose of electing 12 At-Large Delegates and 12 At-Large Alternate Delegates to the Republican National Convention to be held on August 24-27, 2020 (convening no earlier than 8:00 AM EDT and no later than 9:00 PM EDT starting 8/24/20), at the Spectrum Center in Charlotte, North Carolina (or its alternate site), nominating 2 Electors At-Large to be voted for in the presidential election on November 3, 2020, electing a State Chairperson, and electing a National Committeeman and a National Committeewoman; (2) To elect up to 867 Delegates and an equal number of Alternate Delegates to cast 173.31 delegate votes at the Fourth Congressional District Republican Convention to be held on April 25, 2020 and convening at 11:30 AM EDT, at Thomas Dale High School-West Campus Gymnasium (3626 W. Hundred Rd., Chester, VA 23831), and to elect up to 5,005 Delegates and an equal number of Alternate Delegates to cast 1,001 delegate votes at the Seventh Congressional District Republican Convention to be held on April 25, 2020, convening at 11:00 AM EDT, at the Arthur Ashe, Jr. Athletic Center (3001 N Arthur Ashe Blvd., Richmond, VA 23230), or its alternate site. The purposes of these congressional district conventions are to nominate a candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives, elect respective Republican Congressional District Chairpersons, 3 members of the State Central Committee, 3 Delegates and 3 Alternate Delegates to the Republican National Convention, and nominate one candidate for Presidential Elector; (3) To elect the following officers of the Chesterfield County Republican Committee: Chairman, Vice-Chairman Finance, Vice-Chairman Organization, Vice-Chairman Special Projects, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, and Corresponding Secretary, each to two-year terms; (4) To elect up to 2,840 Members of the Chesterfield County Republican Committee, representing their respective precincts, within the limits prescribed by the By-Laws of the Chesterfield County Republican Committee.

Qualifications for Participation: All legal and qualified voters of Chesterfield 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 public 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.

A voter who, subsequent to making a statement of intent, publicly supports a candidate in opposition to a Republican nominee shall not be qualified for participation in party actions as defined in Article I of the State Party Plan for a period of four (4) years.

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 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 the exception identified in this paragraph thereafter.

Candidate Filing Requirements: Any person wishing to file as a candidate for any office in the CCRC must file a **Declaration of Candidacy for Office**, for that office, and the required non-refundable filing fee with Tara Carroll at 1333 Astley Terrace, Midlothian, VA 23114, which must be received no later than 5:00 PM EDT on Monday, February 17, 2020. Postmarks will not govern.

Declaration of Candidacy for Office: The Declaration of Candidacy for Office should include: (1) a statement that the candidate is in accord with the principles of the Republican Party; and (2) that the candidate pledges to support all of the Republican Party's nominees for office in the ensuing General Election.

Any person wishing to file as a candidate for Delegate to any of the Republican Conventions listed above, and/or for membership in the Chesterfield County Republican Committee must file a **Declaration of Candidacy**, along with any voluntary or required fees, with Patrick Regan at 1240 Miners Trail Road, Midlothian, VA 23114, which must be received no later than 5:00 PM EDT on Friday, March 20, 2020. Postmarks will not govern.

Declaration of Candidacy and CCRC Membership Form: The Declaration of Candidacy to any Republican Convention listed above and/or membership to the Chesterfield County Republican Committee must be made on a form prescribed by the Chesterfield County Committee and available from Chairwoman Tara C. Carroll and other members of the Chesterfield County Republican Committee. The form can also be downloaded from www.chesterfieldgop.com and www.virginia.gop. A check covering any voluntary or required fees, and/or for dues to the Chesterfield County Republican Committee (if seeking membership in the Committee) must accompany this form.

Any Military Member who is otherwise qualified to participate in Republican Party actions and who has filed the required form and produced at the time of filing valid military identification or other proof of active-duty status, shall be certified as a delegate to the convention(s) filed for, and shall not be required to be elected as a delegate.

Filing Fees:

No fee will be required of any voter in order to participate in the Party Canvass.

Each candidate for Chair of the CCRC must include a non-refundable filing fee of \$500, payable by check, with his/her Declaration of Candidacy for office. Each candidate for Vice Chair-Organization, Vice-Chair Special Projects, Vice-Chair Finance, Treasurer, Recording Secretary and Corresponding Secretary must include a non-refundable filing fee of \$100, payable by check, with his/her Declaration of Candidacy for office.

Fees for the Congressional District Conventions are:

Fourth Congressional District: \$0

Seventh Congressional District: \$25.00. The voluntary registration fee for delegates is Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00). *Any delegate who fails to pay the registration fee may participate only in the nomination of candidates for public office (which are for the nominee for Congress and the Presidential Elector).*

To assist the operations of the Republican Party of Virginia in supporting unit mass meetings and conventions, and the administration of the State Convention, a Delegate Registration Fee of Thirty-Five

Dollars (\$35.00) is requested of each person standing for election as a delegate or alternate delegate to the State Convention. *Any delegate who fails to pay the registration fee may participate only in the Presidential Preference Poll.*

Anyone pre-filing for membership to the CCRC must include a payment of Thirty-Five Dollars (\$35.00), which equals one year of dues.

All required fees MUST be paid at the time of pre-filing. Checks should be made out to the Chesterfield County Republican Committee, "CCRC" or "Chesterfield GOP."

Conduct of the Canvass: The Canvass will be conducted on Monday, March 23, 2020, from 5-7:30 PM EDT at the Thomas Fulghum Conference Center (13900 Hull Street Road, Midlothian, VA 23112). Rules for the conduct of the Canvass will be promulgated by the Chesterfield County Republican Committee and will be available on the CCRC website.

Voters must be properly registered in Chesterfield County and must present a government issued photographic identification document. They must also sign a **Statement of Intent** to support the Republican Party's candidates in the general election on November 3, 2020. Persons who do not meet these requirements will not be allowed to participate.

Provisions for the filing of fewer candidates than there are positions: If the number of candidates, qualified under Article I of the State Party Plan, who properly file for any of the offices to be elected by this canvass does not exceed the maximum number who can be elected, then that portion of the canvass will not be held and those candidates who have been certified by the Credentials Committee shall be declared elected to the positions for which they have filed. If this applies to all offices to be elected by this canvass, the canvass shall be canceled.

Authorized and paid for by the Chesterfield County Republican Committee