# Mass Meeting of the Amherst County Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia OFFICIAL CALL

As Chairman of the Amherst County Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia, and pursuant to the Plan of Organization and as recommended and directed by the committee, I, William E. Wegert, do hereby issue this Call for a Mass Meeting to be held at the Caterpillar Clubhouse, 186 Dillard Rd., Madison Heights, VA 24572, beginning at 7:00 pm local time on February 26, 2024. Registration begins at 6:00 pm local time.

#### THE PURPOSE OF THE MASS MEETING is to:

- 1) Elect a Chairman for the Amherst County Republican Committee
- 2) Elect members to the Amherst County Republican Committee
- 3) Elect up to 415 Delegates and an equal number of Alternates to the Republican Party of Virginia 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District Convention to be held on Saturday, April 27, 2024 at 10:00 AM at Drakes Branch Volunteer Fire Department, 4801 Drakes Main Street, Drakes Branch, VA 23937 or alternate site or date if necessary, for the following purposes: a) Election of Fifth District Republican Committee Chairman, b) Election of three (3) State Central Committee Members, c) Election of one (1) Elector for the 2024 Presidential Election, d) Transaction of such other business as may properly come before the Convention. Amherst County will have 83 delegate votes. Every person elected as a Delegate or Alternate Delegate to the Fifth Congressional District Convention will be required to pay a \$20 registration fee. Each \$20 registration fee shall be paid to the Unit Committee represented. (This fee must be paid to the ACRC.)
- 4) Elect up to 415 Delegates and an equal number of Alternates to the Republican Party of Virginia State Quadrennial Convention to be held at the Hampton Roads Convention Center, 1610 Coliseum Drive, Hampton, VA 23666 on May 31-June1, 2024. Amherst County will have 83 delegate votes. Delegates to the State Convention shall pay a registration fee of \$45. (This fee must be paid to the ACRC.)
- 5) Conduct such other business as may properly come before the Mass Meeting

## QUALIFICATIONS FOR PARTICIPATION

All legal and qualified voters of Amherst 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 members of the Republican Party of Virginia in its Mass Meetings, party canvasses, conventions or primaries encompassing their respective election districts.

## MILITARY PROVISION

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.

Candidate preference ballots will be made available by the Fifth District Republican Committee no later than Saturday, April 6, 2024, and will be made available on the Fifth District Republican Committee website or upon request by e-mail to Nancy Rodland at nancyrodland2016@gmail.com. Candidate preference ballots must be received by the Recording Secretary no later than Saturday, April 20, 2024, by email to nancyrodland2016@gmail.com or by physical delivery to P.O. Box 75, Lovingston, VA 22949.

#### REGISTRATION

For Mass Meeting registration, all participants must be registered voters in Amherst County, Virginia, and shall be required to provide proof of identity in the form of a valid government or employer-issued photo identification. Only those individuals who are registered at the Mass Meeting by 7:00 pm local time on February 26, 2024, or who are in line for registration by that time, will be entitled to register and participate in the Mass Meeting.

## PRE-FILING REQUIREMENTS

- Persons running for Delegate to the Republican Party of Virginia 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District Convention to be held on April 27, 2024 <u>must submit an Official Delegate Pre-file Form</u> to the Committee Secretary, L R. Hoilman of the Amherst County Republican Committee. The <u>Official Delegate Pre-file Form</u> is attached to this call or can be downloaded at the Republican Party of Virginia website, (<u>www.rpv.org</u>), the 5<sup>th</sup> District Republican website (<u>https://5thdistrictva.gop</u>), the website of Amherst County Republican Committee, <u>www.amherstcountygop.org</u> or may be obtained from L. R. Hoilman at <u>randyhoilman331@gmail.com</u>. All official forms must be received by 5:00 pm local time on February 17, 2024. Postmarks do not govern.
- 2) All candidates running for election to ACRC Chairman and/or Membership and/or Delegates to the Republican Party of Virginia Quadrennial Convention must pre-file using the ACRC Pre-File Form. This form is attached to this Call or can be downloaded at the Republican Party of Virginia website, (<a href="www.rpv.org">www.rpv.org</a>), the 5<sup>th</sup> District Republican website (<a href="https://5thdistrictva.gop">https://5thdistrictva.gop</a>), the website of Amherst County Republican Committee <a href="www.amherstcountygop.org">www.amherstcountygop.org</a>, or may be obtained from L. R. Hoilman at <a href="mailto:randyhoilman331@gmail.com">randyhoilman331@gmail.com</a>. Candidates for ACRC Chairman must include a \$200 filing fee at the time they Pre-File.

ALL FORMS must be received by the Secretary no later than February 17, 2024 by 5 PM to be valid. ALL FEES must be received by the Secretary no later than March 25, 2024 by 8 PM to be valid.

If by USPS to: Amherst County Republican Committee, Attn: L. R. Hoilman, PO Box 662, Amherst VA 24521. (Postmarks do not govern) (Do not trust USPS for quick delivery)

If in person, the Secretary, or his designee will be at the Amherst Public Library Community Room, 382 S. Main Street, Amherst VA 24521 to receive last-minute in-person filings from 4 pm until 5 pm on February 17, 2024.

If by email to Randy Hoilman at <u>randyhoilman331@gmail.com</u>

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If the number of persons prefiling for election as Delegates to the Republican Party of Virginia 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District Convention, to the Republican Party of Virginia Quadrennial Convention, and for election to all Offices or Memberships to be decided upon by the Mass Meeting does not exceed the number allowed by the Party Plan of the Republican Party of Virginia, as amended, the respective Convention Calls, and this Call, then they will be declared elected, and the Mass Meeting may be canceled.

Revised to clarify that e-signature are allowed. No substantive changes.

There will be no registration fees required to participate in the Mass Meeting.

# **CALL REVISIONS:**

The Executive Committee of the Amherst County Republican Committee is authorized to revise the issued Call to make any technical or conforming changes in the event such changes are necessary.

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