

**OFFICIAL CALL**  
**District Convention**  
**of the Eighth Congressional District**  
**of the Republican Party of Virginia**  
**Saturday, April 28, 2018**  
**10:00 AM Eastern Daylight Time**  
**Thomas Jefferson High School**  
**6560 Braddock Road, Alexandria, VA 22312**

As Chairman of the Eighth Congressional District of the Republican Party of Virginia and pursuant to the Plan of Organization and as recommended and directed by the District Committee, I, Mark D. Kelly, do hereby issue this Call for a District Convention to be held at Thomas Jefferson High School, 6560 Braddock Road, Alexandria, VA 22312, or its alternate site, starting at 10:00 AM Eastern Daylight Time (EDT) on Saturday, April 28, 2018, for the following purposes:

- a) Electing a District Chairman of the Republican Party;
- b) Nominating a Republican candidate for the office of U.S. House of Representatives; and
- c) for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the convention.

**Qualifications for Participation**

All legal and qualified voters 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 in the last five years. A single exception to this rule 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.

A person who has made application for registration and meets all other requirements, 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.

### **Registration**

Convention registration shall begin at 8:00 AM EDT and shall conclude at 10:00 AM EDT. The Convention shall be called to order at 10:00 AM EDT. Upon commencement of the first ballot for any office and thereafter, no quorum call or point of order regarding the quorum of the Convention or of any committee thereof shall be in order.

### **Composition of Convention**

The District Convention shall be composed of delegates and alternate delegates of the respective units they represent, and a military delegation. Representation shall be based on the total number of Republican votes cast in each county and city in the last gubernatorial and presidential elections combined. Each unit is allowed one (1) Delegate Vote for every five hundred (500) Republican votes cast, or major portion thereof in each county or city or portion thereof in the district. Each unit shall be entitled to at least one (1) Delegate Vote. The delegates and alternates shall be elected in county and city mass meetings, party canvasses or conventions that shall be called for this purpose in conformity with the Plan of Organization of the Republican Party of Virginia by each unit committee.

The military delegation shall be elected in accordance with the Plan of Organization of the Republican Party of Virginia. Any member of the Virginia National Guard, or the United States Armed Forces, Merchant Marine, or Coast Guard, who is currently serving on active duty or who expects to be on active duty at the time of the convention may declare via electronic mail to the District Chairman that because of such member's official military orders, the member is unable to attend his unit mass meeting, canvass or convention, and that, in lieu of selecting delegates to represent him from his respective unit, he wishes to be represented by the military delegation. Such declaration shall be due no later than 6:00 p.m. EDT, nineteen (19) days prior (Monday, April 9, 2018) to the Convention.

The delegate votes by each Unit shall be as follows:

UNIT	DELEGATE VOTES	MAX. # DELEGATES
City of Alexandria	48	240
Arlington County	73	365
Fairfax County	146	730
City of Falls Church	5	25

Military Delegation	1
Totals	273

The delegates present in a given Unit delegation shall designate which alternate delegate(s) shall vote in the place of an absent delegate(s) except where the electing body has determined another method of alternate delegate selection. The delegates present and voting at the Convention shall cast the full vote of the Unit delegation with proportionate weight given to majority and minority vote. In no event shall any person cast less than one-fifth (1/5) of a delegate vote.

### **Filing for Offices**

#### **Filing for Chairman of the 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District Republican Committee**

Any person who desires to seek election as Chairman of the 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District Republican Committee must file a signed written statement to that effect, along with a non-refundable filing fee of \$1,000.00 (One thousand dollars and zero cents), with the 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District Republican Committee Treasurer, or his designee, accepting applications at 110 Shooters Court, Alexandria, VA, 22314, no later than 5:00 PM Eastern Standard Time (EST), Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 (postmark shall not count). The filing fee shall be payable to the 8<sup>th</sup> District Republican Committee.

#### **Filing for Republican Candidates for the 2018 Republican Party Nomination for the Office of U.S. House of Representatives**

Any person who desires to seek the nomination of the Republican Party for the 2018 8<sup>th</sup> District Congressional election must file a signed written statement to that effect, along with a non-refundable filing fee of \$3,500.00 (Three thousand five hundred dollars and zero cents), with the 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District Republican Committee Treasurer, or his designee, accepting applications at 110 Shooters Court, Alexandria, VA, 22314, no later than 5:00 PM Eastern Standard Time (EST), Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 (postmark shall not count). The filing fee shall be payable to the 8<sup>th</sup> District Republican Committee.

### **Uncontested Offices**

No nominations shall be accepted from the floor of the District Convention. If, at the convention, any office, other than Republican nominee for the U.S. House of Representatives, has fewer than or an equal number of candidates for offices to be elected, all legally filed candidates for that office (Chairman) shall be deemed to be elected.

### **Cancellation**

If only one candidate legally files for the office of Chairman, and one or no candidate legally files for the office of U.S. House of Representatives, the Chairman may, after consultation with

the District Committee, cancel the convention. Upon cancellation, any legally filed candidates will be deemed elected.

### **Certification of Delegates**

The said delegates and alternate delegates to the District Convention so elected shall be certified in writing with their respective names, addresses (including zip codes), telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses over the signatures of the permanent chairman and permanent secretary of the unit mass meeting or convention, or of the unit chairman of the unit committee which may have conducted a party canvass to select the delegates and alternate delegates.

Registration for the Congressional District Convention shall be accompanied by a \$20.00 (Twenty dollars and no cents) non-refundable registration fee for each delegate and alternate delegate. The registration fee is voluntary for all who intend to vote only for the Republican nominee for Congress. The registration fee is mandatory for all who intend to vote for District Chairman. Certification of names will require that the \$20.00 registration fee for each delegate and alternate delegate listed on the certification form accompany the delegate and alternate delegate certification when applicable. No certification will be accepted without the accompanying applicable fee.

**ALL CERTIFICATIONS AND APPLICABLE FEES, REGARDLESS OF THE DATE OF UNIT MASS MEETING, PARTY CANVASS OR CONVENTION MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN TWENTY-ONE (21) DAYS PRIOR (Saturday, April 7, 2018) TO THE CONVENING OF THE DISTRICT CONVENTION, OR DELIVERED IN PERSON NO LATER THAN 6:00 P.M., NINETEEN (19) DAYS PRIOR (Monday, April 9, 2018) TO THE CONVENING OF THE DISTRICT CONVENTION.**

After the filing deadline of the certification, no change may be made except a certified alternate delegate may be made a delegate. A copy of the call of the convention, mass meeting or party canvass called for the purpose of selecting delegates and alternate delegates to said convention, must accompany the certification. A delegate or alternate delegate is not certified until his/her name, address, and phone number has been provided on the certification.

Certification should be mailed or delivered as follows:

Original to: Mark Kelly, Chairman  
8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District of Virginia Republican Committee  
826 31st Street S.  
Arlington, VA 22202

Second Copy to: Chris Marston, Treasurer  
8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District of Virginia Republican Committee

110 Shooters Court  
Alexandria, VA 22314

Third Copy: for the Unit's permanent records

### **Committees**

Members of the Temporary Convention Arrangements, Credentials, Nominations, Elections, and Rules Committees as appointed by the District Chairman 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 Convention shall be conducted in accordance with the Plan of Organization of the Republican Party of Virginia, and Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised.

### **Rules Recommendations**

The District Committee will recommend to the Convention Rules Committee that it propose the following rules to the convention (a) no resolutions will be considered; (b) elections will be by majority vote.

### **Revisions**

In the event that venue availability, court order, or any other unforeseen circumstance requires technical or conforming changes to the Call, the District Chairman is authorized to revise the Call to make any such technical or conforming changes. The District Chairman must promptly notify the District Committee of any such conforming changes.

By a two-thirds (2/3) vote, the District Committee has waived the requirement that this call be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the District.

APPROVED by the Eighth Congressional District Republican Committee, January 23, 2018.

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