

OFFICIAL CALL

Mass Meeting of the Fredericksburg Republican Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia

As Chairman of the Fredericksburg Republican Committee of the Republican Party, and pursuant to the Plan of Organization and as recommended and directed by the Committee, I, Rev. Michael Hirsch, do hereby issue this call for a Mass Meeting to be held at the Calvary Christian Church, 2222 Jefferson Davis Hwy, Fredericksburg, VA 22401 at 7:00 p.m. local time on March 8, 2016 for the following purposes:

- 1) Electing a Unit Chairman;
- 2) Electing members of the Unit Committee;
- 3) Electing up to one hundred and twenty-five (125) Delegates and an equal number of Alternates to a State Convention of the Republican Party of Virginia to be held on Friday April 29, 2016 beginning at 2:30 p.m. and on Saturday, April 30, 2016 beginning at 12:00 p.m. at the James Madison University Convocation Center, 895 University Boulevard, Harrisonburg, Virginia 22807 or its alternate site.
- 4) Electing up to one hundred and twenty-five (125) Delegates and an equal number of Alternates to the Republican Party of Virginia State Convention to be held on Saturday, April 30, 2016 at the James Madison Convention Center, 895 University Blvd, Harrisonburg, Virginia 22807 or its alternate site, beginning at 12:00 noon local time
- 5) And for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the mass meeting.

For the State Convention, each unit is entitled to one (1) Delegate Vote per 250 Republican votes cast or major portion thereof for the Republican candidate in the most recent elections for President and Governor, so that Fredericksburg City is entitled to twenty-five (25) Delegate Votes;

For the District Convention, each unit is entitled to one (1) Delegate Vote per 250 Republican votes cast or major portion thereof for the Republican candidate in the most recent elections for President and Governor, so that Fredericksburg City is entitled to twenty-five (25) Delegate Votes;

Qualifications for Participation

All legal and qualified voters of the City of Fredericksburg, 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, 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.

42 A single exception to the above shall be approved for a voter that renounces affiliation
43 with any other party in writing, and who expresses in writing that he/she is in accord with
44 the principles of the Republican Party and intends, at the time of the writing, to support
45 the nominees of the Republican Party in the future. A voter that utilizes the foregoing
46 exception, and thereafter participates in the nomination process of a Party other than
47 the Republican Party, shall not have the benefit of the exception as identified in this
48 paragraph thereafter. In order to be eligible for election as a Delegate or Alternate
49 Delegate to any convention, an individual must be registered to vote no later than the
50 pre-filing deadline established by the Official Committee or, if pre-filing is not a
51 requirement, no later than the date of election as a Delegate. A person who has made
52 application for registration and meets all other requirements herein, but whose name
53 does not appear on the local registration books solely because of the books having
54 been closed in connection with a local election, will nevertheless be deemed a legal and
55 qualified voter.

56 **Filing Requirements**

57 Candidates for election as Chair of the Fredericksburg Republican Committee shall
58 deliver a nonrefundable \$50 filing fee and a letter of intent stating their full name,
59 address, voting precinct, phone number, and email address by mail, Email, or in person,
60 to Rev. Michael Hirsch, Chairman, 200 McConkey St., Fredericksburg, VA 22401. Only
61 those candidates who properly issue a letter of intent and remit the \$50 fee will be
62 considered. There will be no nominations from the floor of the mass meeting. All filing
63 requirements must be delivered by mail, Email, or hand not later than 5:00 p.m.,
64 February 29, 2016 postmark does not apply. If only one candidate is properly filed for
65 Chairmen, that person will be declared the Chairman.

66 Candidates for election to the positions of member of the Fredericksburg City
67 Republican Committee and/or Delegate (or Alternate) to the May 7th 1st District
68 Convention and/or Delegate (or Alternate) to the April 30 State Convention must submit
69 the filing form found on the Republican Party of Virginia website (RPV.org) which states
70 intent to seek election for each specific position and which will include name, address,
71 phone number and e-mail and voluntary fee (if applicable) All statements must be
72 received not later than 5 p.m. on February 29, 2016 either in person or by mail
73 (postmarks do not govern) to Rev. Michael Hirsch, Chairman, 200 McConkey St.,
74 Fredericksburg, VA 22401. Participants may also submit the pre-file form on the day of
75 the Mass Meeting prior to 7PM.

76 If the number of persons who file as candidates for Member of the County Committee or
77 to be a Delegate or Alternate Delegate to any convention does not exceed the
78 maximum number that can be elected, then all properly prefiled candidates shall be
79 deemed elected.

80 Further, if the number of persons properly prefiled for all offices to be decided upon by
81 the mass meeting does not exceed the maximum number that can be elected, the mass
82 meeting will be canceled.

83 **Registration Fee**

84 There will be no registration fee to participate in this mass meeting.

85 There is a voluntary registration fee of \$35 to participate in the Republican State
86 Convention and a \$10 voluntary registration fee to participate in the 1st District
87 Convention.

88 **Resolutions Filing Requirements**

89 All Resolutions proposed for consideration at this Mass Meeting must be presented to
90 Rev. Michael Hirsch, Chairman, by mail, Email, or by hand to the addresses listed
91 above no later than 5:00 p.m., February 29, 2016 postmark does not apply.