OFFICIAL CALL

Mass Meeting

Pulaski County Republican Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia

As Chairman of the Pulaski County Republican Committee, and pursuant to the Plan of Organization and as recommended and directed by the Committee, I, Aaron Smith, do hereby issue this call for a mass meeting to be held at the Pulaski County Courthouse, 45 Third St NW, Pulaski, VA 24301, in the General District Courtroom (or an alternate site, depending on weather and/or availability), starting at 7:00pm local time on 22 March 2018 for the following purposes:

- 1. To elect a unit chairman;
- 2. Elect members of the unit committee;
- Electing up to 74 Delegates and an equal number of Alternates to the Ninth Congressional District Republican Convention, to be held on Saturday, 21 April 2018 at George Wythe High School, #1 Maroon Way, Wytheville, VA 24382, or its alternate site, beginning at 10:00am (with registration from 8:30am to 10:15am) for the purposes of:
 - a. electing a District Chairman, and
 - b. the transaction of other business as may properly come before the Convention.

Qualifications for Participation

All legal and qualified voters of Pulaski 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.

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 at said mass meeting shall file a pre-file form in electronic form to the committee by email to info@pulaskicountygop.org, which must be received not later than 5:00pm on 16 March 2018. Forms may only be delivered in electronic form via email, no paper forms will be accepted. If no more than one candidate pre-files for election to unit chairman to be voted upon at the mass meeting, that candidate will be declared elected.

Official pre-filing forms for unit chairman are available from the following sources:

- http://www.pulaskicountygop.org
- <a>http://www.va9gop.org (under "Official Calls" link)
- <u>http://www.rpv.org</u> (under RPV News | Official Call Calendar)
- Contacting Aaron Smith by email to <u>aaron@pulaskicountygop.org</u>
- Contacting Aaron Smith by phone at 540-994-7927

Candidates for election as a member of the unit committee or as a delegate/alternate to the 2018 Ninth Congressional District Republican Convention may indicate their interest in one or both at time of registration at the mass meeting. Blank forms will be available at time of registration. Forms indicating candidacy as a delegate or alternate to the 2018 Ninth Congressional District Republican Convention must be accompanied by the mandatory registration fee of \$10 or the delegate/alternate will not be considered by the committee. If you are unable to attend the mass meeting and wish to file to be a delegate or alternate to the Ninth Congressional District Republican Convention, please contact Aaron Smith at <u>aaron@pulaskicountygop.org</u> or 540-994-7927 to obtain instructions for completing the form in advance of the mass meeting.

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.

Registration and Fees

The doors will open at 7:00pm local time, with registration to begin at 6:00pm. Each individual wishing to participate in the mass meeting will be required to complete and sign a registration form before the meeting begins. No additional participants will be allowed to register after the meeting has begun.

There will be no mandatory registration fee to attend and/or participate in this mass meeting. There is a MANDATORY registration fee of \$10.00 for each delegate/alternate delegate elected to the Ninth Congressional District Republican Convention. Fees must be paid at the time of registration. Please make checks payable to the Pulaski County Republican Committee, which will forward the registration fee to the Ninth Congressional District Republican District Republican Convention.