

OFFICIAL CALL
Mass Meeting
Salem City Republican Committee
of the Republican Party of Virginia

As Vice Chairman of the Salem City Republican Committee, and pursuant to the Plan of Organization and as recommended and directed by the Committee, I, Chris Thomas do hereby issue this call for a Mass Meeting to be held at the Salem Civic Center, 1001 Roanoke Blvd, Salem, VA 24153 or alternate location starting at 10:00 AM local time on Saturday, March 17, 2018 for the following purposes:

1. To elect a unit chairman and members to the unit committee;
2. Electing up to 245 Delegates and an equal number of Alternates to the Ninth Congressional District Republican Convention, to be held on Saturday, April 21, 2018 at George Wythe High School, #1 Maroon Way, Wytheville, VA 24382, or its alternate site, beginning at 10:00 a.m. (with registration from 8:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.) for the purposes of:
 - a. electing a District Chairman, and
 - b. the transaction of other business as may properly come before the Convention.

Each unit is entitled to one (1) Delegate Vote per 250 Republican votes cast for Governor and President at their last election, so that Salem City is entitled to 49 Delegate Votes;

1. And for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the mass meeting.

Qualifications for Participation

All legal and qualified voters of Salem City 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, Members of the Salem City Republican Committee, or as a delegate or alternate delegate to the Ninth Congressional District Republican Convention may notify Chris Thomas, Second Vice-Chair of the Committee, of his or her intention by pre-filing pursuant to the requirements stated herein. Candidates who pre-file do not need to be present at the Mass Meeting to be elected as Unit Chairman, Members of the Salem City Republican Committee, or as a delegate or alternate delegate to the Ninth Congressional District Republican Convention. Candidates for all aforesaid positions must prefile by 5:00 PM on March 16, 2018. Postmarks do not govern. There will be no nominations from the floor.

Pre-filing forms and any required fees can be sent:

- Chris Thomas, 2116 12 O'Clock Knob Rd., Salem VA 24153
- Crt66251@verizon.net
- Hand delivered to Chris Thomas.

Candidates for election to the position of Chair for the Salem City Republican Committee shall file a written statement and the \$100 required fee to the same above addresses as any other pre-filing form. Postmarks shall not govern.

Official filing forms are available online at <http://virginia.gop>, <http://va9gop.org> or by contacting Chris Thomas, 2116 12 O'Clock Knob Rd., Salem VA 24153

Candidacy filing fees are as follows:

- Unit Chairman - \$100 filing fee.
- Unit Committee Member – \$20 dues for two years. (To be paid with pre-filing.)
- Delegate/Alternate Delegate to the Ninth District Republican Convention - \$ 10.00 registration fee (MANDATORY).

Please make checks payable to the Salem City Republican Committee.

Cancellation of 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. If fewer than the maximum number of unit committee members that the Salem City Republican Committee has established pre-file, all properly pre-filed candidates shall be declared elected to the applicable unit committee membership position. If fewer than the maximum number of Delegates that Salem City is entitled to at any District convention pre-file, all properly pre-filed candidates shall be declared elected. If there are no contested offices to be voted upon at the mass meeting, then no mass meeting will be held.

Registration Fees for Mass Meeting & Convention

There is a MANDATORY registration fee of \$10.00 for each delegate/alternate delegate elected to the Ninth Congressional District Republican Convention. Fees are requested to be paid at the time of filing for election as a Delegate. Please make checks payable to the Salem City Republican Committee, which will forward the registration fee to the Ninth Congressional District Republican Convention.

Paid for and authorized by the Salem City Republican Committee
Christopher Thomas, Vice Chairman

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