

**Call for the
The Tenth District Convention
Of the Republican Party of Virginia
Issued January 8, 2016**

Pursuant to the Plan of Organization Republican Party of Virginia, I, Jo A. S. Thoburn, Chairman of the Tenth Congressional District Republican Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia, do hereby call a Tenth District Convention to be held at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on Saturday, April 16, 2016, at Stone Bridge High School, 43100 Hay Road, Ashburn, Virginia, 20147.

Registration shall begin at 8:30 o'clock a.m. and close at 10:00 o'clock a.m. EDT. Everyone in line at 10:00 o'clock a.m., the said closing time, may still be registered if otherwise eligible.

Convention Committee meetings shall begin no later than 8:30 o'clock a.m., and shall be held at the convention site, but preliminary meetings may be held at such times and dates as may be designated by the Temporary Convention Committee Chairmen.

The purpose of the 10th District Convention shall be:

- i) To elect a Chairman of the 10th Congressional District Republican Committee.
- ii) To elect three members to the Republican Party of Virginia State Central Committee.
- iii) To elect three Delegates and three Alternate Delegates to the Republican National Convention in Cleveland, Ohio, beginning on July 18, 2016.
- iv) To nominate one Elector to be voted for in the Presidential Election of November 8, 2016.

Qualifications for Participation

All legal and qualified voters, regardless of race, religion, color, national origin or sex, under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, who are in accord with principles of the Republican Party and who if requested express in open meeting 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, Conventions or Primaries in their respective districts. Each delegate must present a valid, non-expired photo identification issued by the Commonwealth of Virginia, one of its political subdivisions, or the United States.

Composition of Convention

The District Convention shall be composed of delegates and alternate delegate of the respective units they represent. Representation shall be based on the total number of Republican votes cast in each county and city in the last gubernatorial and presidential election combined. Each unit is allowed one (1) Delegate Vote for each 250 Republican votes cast or major portion thereof. Each unit shall be entitled to at least one (1) Delegate vote. Each county or city shall be entitled to at least one delegate vote. The delegates and alternates shall be elected in county and city mass meetings, party canvasses or conventions held no earlier than February 1, 2016, and no later than March 30, 2016.

A delegation to this convention may have no more than five (5) delegates and five (5) alternates per delegate vote. No delegate may have less than one-fifth of a vote. Delegations shall vote full vote unless otherwise directed by the mass meeting, party canvass, or convention by which they were elected, said direction to be included in the certification of delegates. The number of delegates to which each city or county shall be entitled is as follows:

Clarke	28
Fairfax	333
Frederick	144
Loudoun	463
Manassas	41
Manassas Park City	10
Prince William	106
Winchester	31
Military Delegation	1
TOTAL	<hr/> 1,157

Revisions

In the event that the redistricting process 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.

Military Provision Declaration

Military Members who declare via email to the chairman@vagop10.org, not later than March 3, 2016, that because of the obligations of their official military orders, they are unable to attend their convention, and that in lieu of selecting delegates to represent them from their respective Unit they instead wish to be represented by the Military Delegation, shall be entitled to representation via the Military Delegation. Such e-mail declaration shall include attached a signed statement of intent and affirmation of their official military orders precluding their attendance, and their email address for correspondence. The Chairman or his designee shall respond via email to each Military Member to confirm the receipt of each email declaration.

Candidate Preference Ballot

Military Members shall be entitled to cast a Candidate Preference Ballot to convey their ordered candidate preferences for each office (first choice, second choice, third choice, etc). The Ballot shall be available at the Official Committee website (www.vagop10.org) and at the RPV website, and shall be emailed to each declared Military Member within seven (7) days of the receipt of (i) the Member's declaration, or (ii) the filing deadline for candidates for office, whichever is later. The Chairman or his designee shall respond via email to each Military Member to confirm the receipt of each emailed returned ballot. The deadline to return the ballot shall be March 25, 2016.

Delegate Certification deadline of the Call

The Chairman of the Tenth Congressional District Republican Committee or his designee shall be responsible for ensuring the complete set of returned Candidate Preference Ballots are delivered to the permanent chairman of the Convention, once elected, for tallying the ballots in a manner designed to cast a vote in each round of balloting (as determined by the Rules adopted by the Convention) for the then-eligible candidate with the highest preference expressed on each Candidate Preference Ballot. The Chairman of the Tenth Congressional District Republican Committee or his designee shall also provide, upon the request of any candidate on the ballot, the names of qualified Military Members who submitted Candidate Preference Ballots.

Voting

The Chairman of the Credentials Committee or his designee shall cast the votes of the Military Delegation in proportion to the count of the Candidate Preference Ballots as specified pursuant to paragraph, and shall tabulate results in accordance with the Republican Voting Strength of the Military Delegation.

Committees/Rules

Members of the Temporary Convention Arrangements, Credentials, Nominations, Elections, Tellers, Resolutions and Rules Committees shall be appointed by the 10th District Republican Committee Chairman and 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 State Party Plan, the Call of the Convention, and the Rules adopted by the Convention shall take precedence in governing the Convention. Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall also govern insofar as they do not conflict with the State Party Plan, the Call of the Convention, and the Convention Rules.

Resolutions must be submitted in their entirety to the Chairman of the Resolutions Committee not later than noon on Saturday, April 2, 2016. All resolutions and the accompanying business of each resolution shall be conducted after the candidate speeches and before the reporting of the balloting totals. Resolutions or amendments from the floor are not permitted and any motion to propose any resolution is out of order.

Candidate Filing Requirements and Election Procedures

Chairman of the 10th Congressional District Republican Committee. All Candidates who desire to be nominated at the 10th District convention described herein for the position of Chairman of the 10th Congressional District Republican Committee shall pre-file in writing their intention for candidacy for said office including a non-refundable \$1500.00 pre-filing fee, in the form of a check made out to the 10th District Committee, with the District Chairman, Jo Thoburn, 1406 Crowell Road, Vienna, VA, 22182, not later than 12:00 noon EST, on Saturday, January 23, 2016. Actual receipt is required. Postmarks do not govern. Only those who so pre-file may stand for election at this District Convention. The winning candidate will be chosen by election of the convention delegates based on a majority vote of greater than 50%.

State Central Committee Members. All Candidates who desire to be nominated at the 10th District Convention described herein for the position of State Central Committee shall pre-file in writing their intention for candidacy for said office including a non-refundable \$250.00 pre-filing fee, in the form of a check made out to the 10th District Committee, with the District Chairman Jo Thoburn 1406 Crowell Road, Vienna, VA, 22182, not later than 12:00 noon EST, on Saturday, January 23, 2016. Actual receipt is required. Postmarks do not govern. Only those who so pre-file may stand for election at this District Convention. The three (3) winning candidates will be chosen by election of the convention delegates based on the candidates receiving the top three (3) number of votes.

Delegates and Alternate Delegates to the Republican National Convention and

Elector to the Electoral College. All Candidates who desire to be nominated at the 10th District Convention described herein for the positions of Delegate and Alternate Delegate to the Republican National Convention in Cleveland, Ohio, beginning on July 18, 2016, and / or Elector to the Electoral College, shall pre-file in writing their intention for candidacy for said offices, including a non-refundable \$250.00 pre-filing fee, in the form of a check made out to the 10th District Committee, with the District Chairman Jo Thoburn 1406 Crowell Road, Vienna, VA, 22182, not later than 12:00 noon, on Saturday, January 23, 2016.. All candidates for Delegate and Alternate Delegate to the Republican National Convention shall also include a non-refundable \$250.00 pre-filing fee, in the form of a check made out to the 10th District Committee. Actual receipt is required. Postmarks do not govern. Only those who so pre-file for Delegate, Alternate Delegate, and Elector may stand for election or nomination at this District Convention. Election for Delegate and Alternate Delegate to the Republican National Convention shall determined as follows. The winning Delegate candidates will be chosen by the top three (3) vote totals, and the winning Alternate Delegates candidates will be chosen by the fourth, fifth, and sixth vote totals. The winning candidate for Elector will be chosen by election of the convention delegates based on the candidate receiving the highest number of votes.

Certification of Delegates

The delegates and alternate delegates to Tenth District Convention so elected shall be certified in writing with their respective names, mailing addresses, email addresses, and telephone numbers, over the signatures of the permanent chairman and the permanent secretary of the county or city mass meeting, convention or party canvass, as well as the signature of the current unit chairman. Units shall also provide the above information in an in the format to be provided by the 10th District Secretary via email to chairman@vagop10.org and gerrygunn.esq@gmail.com. **THE CERTIFICATION MUST BE DELIVERED AND RECEIVED AT LEAST FOURTEEN (14) DAYS (NOT LATER THAN APRIL 2, 2016) PRIOR TO THE CONVENING OF THE DISTRICT CONVENTION TO BOTH THE DISTRICT CHAIRMAN AND THE DISTRICT SECRETARY.** Said certification shall be sent to the address listed herein. After the filing deadline of the certification, no change may be made except, notwithstanding the foregoing, a certified alternate may be made a delegate.

A voluntary, non-refundable registration fee of \$20.00 is requested for each delegate and alternate to the convention. **CHECKS (MADE PAYABLE TO THE 10TH DISTRICT REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE) FOR SAID REGISTRATION FEE MUST ACCOMPANY THE CERTIFICATION FOR EACH DELEGATION SENT TO THE DISTRICT CHAIRMAN, ALONG WITH THE NAMES OF DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES WHO HAVE PAID SAID REGISTRATION FEE.** These fees are subject to the limits and prohibitions of the Federal Election Campaign

Act.

A paper copy of the call posted on the unit website and the RPV website containing the published Call of the Mass Meeting, Convention or Party Canvass, called for the purpose of selecting delegates and alternates to the 10th District Convention, shall accompany the certification. Certification shall be conveyed as required herein on properly executed forms, provided by the District Chairman to:

Jo Thoburn
Chairman, 10th Congressional District Republican Committee
1406 Crowell Road
Vienna, VA 22182

AND

Gerry Gunn
Secretary, 10th District Republican Committee
3212 Dominy Court
Oakton, VA 22124

In witness whereof, I have set my hand this 8 day of January, 2016.



Jo Thoburn
Chairman, 10th Congressional District
Republican Committee