

## OFFICIAL CALL

### Party Canvass of the Thirty-Fifth Legislative District

#### Republican Party of Virginia

As Chairman of the 35<sup>th</sup> Legislative District of the Republican Party of Virginia, and pursuant to the Plan of Organization and as recommended and directed by the Legislative District Committee, I, Steve Knotts, do hereby issue this call for a Party Canvass to be held from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Saturday, **November 5, 2022**, for the purpose of nominating a Republican candidate for Virginia House of Delegates, to be voted for in the January 10, 2023 Special Election.

#### Balloting Stations by Locality

1. FAIRFAX COUNTY COUNTY registered voters in all precincts vote at **the Fairfax County GOP Headquarters 4246 Chain Bridge Rd, Fairfax, VA 22030**.
2. A second location, if necessary, will be determined based on availability and expected turnout.

#### Qualifications for Participation

All legal and qualified voters of the 35<sup>th</sup> House of Delegates District (residing within the pre-2022 established district boundary – see Figure 1 below) 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 with in the last five years. A single exception shall be approved for a voter that renounces affiliation with any other party in writing, and who expresses in writing that he or she is in accord with the principles of the Republican Party and intends to support the nominees of the Republican Party in the future. A voter who 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 the exception identified in this paragraph thereafter. The 35<sup>th</sup> Legislative District Committee will provide a copy of all signed renunciation statements to the Republican Party of Virginia, to be maintained for a period of five years.

Any voter who, subsequent to making a statement of intent, publicly supports a candidate in opposition to a Republican nominee is not qualified to participate as a member of the Republican Party of Virginia in its mass meetings, party canvasses, conventions, or primaries for a period of four (4) years.

### Balloting

Balloting will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will end at 4:00 p.m., except that anyone in the registration line at 4:00 p.m. may continue the registration process.

In order to receive a ballot, the voter must present a valid, non-expired photo identification issued by the Commonwealth of Virginia, one of its political subdivisions, or the United States government.

A statement of intent, properly completed and signed by the voter, must be submitted at the time of registration. No ballot will be given to any voter who has not signed and submitted this statement of intent.

No absentee voting, proxies, or provisional ballots are permitted.

No registration fees are required for voting in this party canvass.

Votes will be counted only for those candidates whose names appear on the official ballot. No write-in votes will be permitted. Any ballot with more than one candidate name marked will be declared invalid.

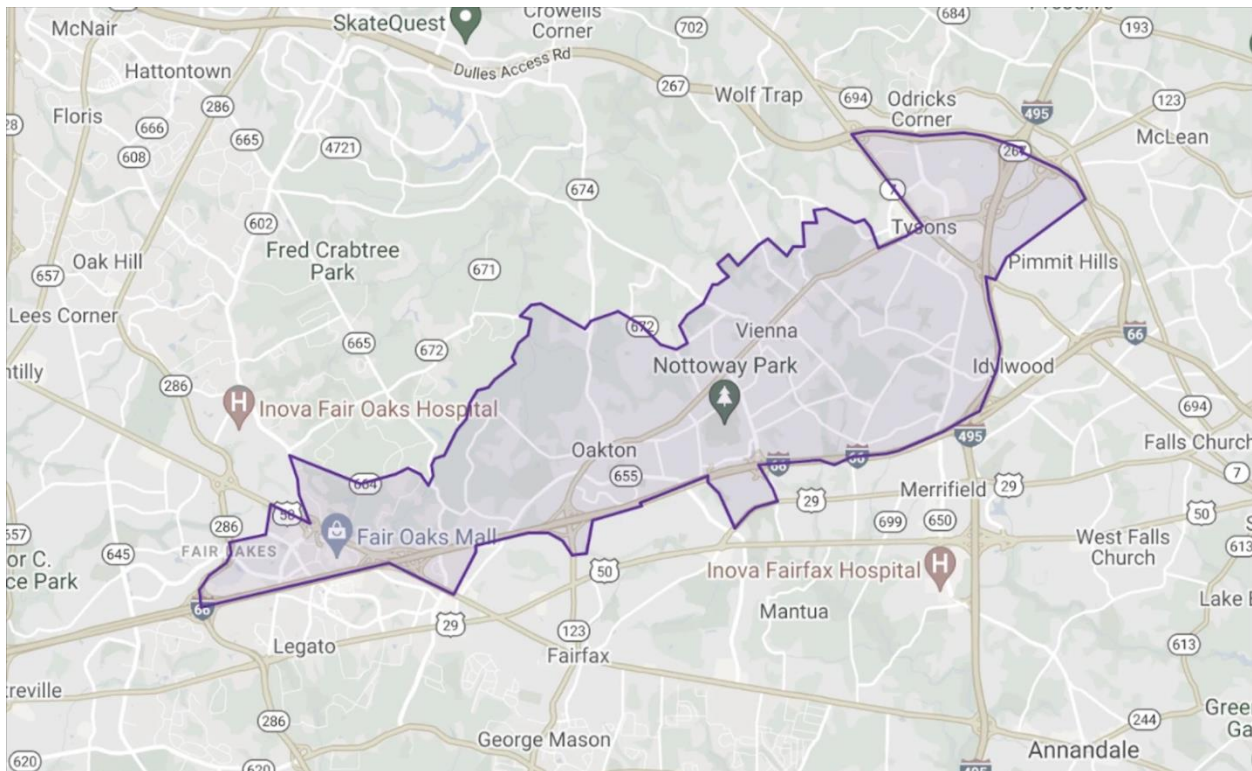


Figure 1: 35th House of Delegates District Boundary for Special Election

## Candidate Filing Requirements

Any person seeking election as the 35<sup>th</sup> District Republican Nominee for House of Delegates must submit a completed and signed Official Filing Form, along with a non-refundable filing fee of \$500.00, paid by valid check or money order, not later than 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 15, 2022, to Steve Knotts, Chairman, 35<sup>th</sup> Legislative District Chairman, 4246 Chain Bridge Rd, Fairfax, VA 22030. Actual receipt is required. Postmarks will not govern. Incomplete or modified filing forms, and/or filing forms accompanied by an invalid check, will be returned, and the individual will be deemed to have not filed for candidacy. Mr. Knotts can be contacted at 202-297-1156.

If not more than one person properly files for candidacy and is determined to be qualified, then that person is deemed to be nominated and the canvass will not be held.

## Committees

Chairman of the Credentials Committee is to be appointed by the Chairman of the 35<sup>th</sup> Legislative District Committee. The committee chairman will appoint the members of the committee at his own discretion. The committee will meet prior to the canvass on the call of the appointed chairman.

The canvass will be governed by (giving precedence as listed): the Republican Party of Virginia Party Plan, the Call of the Canvass, and the Rules adopted by the 35<sup>th</sup> Legislative District Committee.

The nomination will be decided by the plurality of the valid votes cast at all balloting stations. The vote will not be weighted.

*Paid for and authorized by the 35<sup>th</sup> Legislative District Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia  
Steve Knotts, Chairman*