

June 8, 2023

Dear Fairfax County Resident;

As you know I care deeply about the future of Fairfax County. Four years ago, we could proudly say that Fairfax County was the safest jurisdiction of its size in the country. Today with major crime increasing 15% from 2021 to 2022 we can no longer say that. There is no greater threat to the future safety of Fairfax County residents than our current Commonwealth's Attorney Steve Descano and there is only one opportunity to fix that: the June 20th primary.

Not only are Mr. Descano's policies wrong for Fairfax but he has proven to be incompetent in fulfilling his responsibilities to the people of Fairfax County. Since taking office less than four years ago, Commonwealth Attorney Steve Descano:

- Has been reprimanded by Fairfax County judges more than twelve times – no other Fairfax commonwealth attorney has been sanctioned anywhere near this often;
- Has a 100% turnover of prosecutors in his office;
- Turned over the prosecution of most misdemeanor cases to our already understaffed police department – a function that was always done by the Commonwealth Attorney's office;
- Unlike his predecessors, has never tried a case and hired a record number of non-attorneys;
- Has botched dozens of serious felony cases including sex crimes against children, breaking and entering and the case involving the drunk DC school bus driver returning from Cox Farm with school children on board;
- Repeatedly failed to comply with his statutory obligations to inform victims of plea deals, case developments, court proceedings, and victims' rights to address the court;
- and the list could go on and on.

As residents of Fairfax County, we have an opportunity to change that, but the only opportunity will be in the June 20th primary, since there will be no other candidates on the ballot in November. Any registered voter can vote in the primary. The Republican Party typically has a prohibition against party members and officeholders voting in Democrat primaries. At my request, and that of other party leaders, the party UNANIMOUSLY waived that prohibition because this contest is too important to the future of Fairfax County.

The other Democrat in the Commonwealth Attorney's race is **Ed Nuttall**, a former Fairfax County prosecutor and respected trial attorney **who has actually tried and won cases, knows how to run a law office and will respect victims' rights.** To learn more about Ed, see his web site www.ednuttall4fairfax.com.

After four years of Mr. Descano's tenure, crime is rising, the police are demoralized, and victims are abandoned, it must end. Four years ago, I bucked the party rules and asked all residents to go to the polls in a primary to prevent this from happening. Today I am asking you to join me in stopping the madness. The polls are currently open for early voting and primary day is June 20th (see full information below). Please share this with as many residents as you can and encourage them to vote early in the June 20th Primary. This is too important for our future not to take action now.

Very truly yours,



PS You only have to vote in the Commonwealth Attorney's race, but if you decide to vote in the other primary races, I would urge you not to just vote against several of the current incumbents without researching their challengers – many of the challengers are far out of touch with Fairfax County.

Early Voting Information

Any registered voter can participate in the primaries. Currently there are three polling locations open for early voting:

- **Fairfax County Government Center:** 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA 22035 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- **Mount Vernon Governmental Center:** 2511 Parkers Lane, Alexandria, VA 22036 from 1 to 7 p.m.
- **North County Governmental Center:** 1801 Cameron Glen Drive, Reston, VA 20190 from 1 to 7 p.m.

Thirteen additional early voting polling locations will open on June 10th and will operate on weekdays from 1 to 7 p.m. until June 17th. They will also be open on two Saturdays (June 10 & June 17) from 9 a.m. - 5:00 PM:

- **Burke Centre Library:** 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke 22015
- **Centreville Regional Library:** 14200 St. Germain Drive, Centreville 20121
- **Franconia Governmental Center:** 6121 Franconia Rd, Alexandria 22310
- **Great Falls Library:** 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls 22066
- **Herndon-Fortnightly Library:** 768 Center Street, Herndon 20170
- **Lorton Community Center:** 9520 Richmond Highway, Lorton 22079
- **Mason Governmental Center:** 6507 Columbia Pike, Annandale 22003
- **McLean Governmental Center:** 1437 Balls Hill Rd, McLean 22101
- **Providence Community Center:** 3001 Vaden Drive, Fairfax 22031
- **Sully Governmental Center:** 4900 Stonecroft Boulevard, Chantilly 20151
- **Thomas Jefferson Library:** 7415 Arlington Blvd, Falls Church 22042
- **Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library:** 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church 22043
- **West Springfield Governmental Center:** 6140 Rolling Road, Springfield 22152

Any registered voter can cast their ballot at any early voting site. The last day to vote early is Saturday, June 17, at 5 p.m. Election Day for the Primary is June 20th.