

**CALL TO CAUCUS TO NOMINATE A DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**  
**66th District**  
**House of Delegates**  
**June 1, 2023**

The 66<sup>th</sup> HD Democratic Nominating Committee will hold an unassembled caucus on **June 12, 2023, between 1:00pm and 5:00pm** at 404 Cooper Street, Spotsylvania VA 22551, for the purpose of nominating a Democratic candidate for the November 7, 2023, General Election for the 66<sup>th</sup> District, House of Delegates (66<sup>th</sup> HD).

**I. Candidate Filing:**

Each person seeking to become the Democratic nominee for the General Election for the 66<sup>th</sup> HD shall file a Declaration of Candidacy form with the 66<sup>th</sup> HD Democratic Nominating Committee Chair and a \$100.00 filing fee, made payable to the 54<sup>th</sup> HD County Democratic Committee. Filings shall be made from **9:00am, June 4, 2023, through 5:00pm, June 10, 2023**, at 404 Cooper Street, Spotsylvania VA 22551. Only those candidates who have timely and properly filed a Declaration of Candidacy form and paid the filing fee will have their names placed in nomination. The Declaration of Candidacy form shall be available at **9:00am, June 1, 2023**, by email to SpotsyDems@gmail.com.

**II. Qualification of Candidates:**

The Declaration of Candidacy form, which the candidate must sign, will include a written declaration that the candidate:

- Is a Democrat and not a member of any other political party;
- Meets all requirements of state law to be placed on the ballot for the General Elections;
- Is eligible to be the [position] under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia;
- Does not intend to support, endorse, or assist any candidate who is opposed to the Democratic nominee in this General Election;
- Will not participate in the nominating process of any other political party for this General Election; and
- Agrees to abide by the Caucus Rules, the Virginia Democratic Party Plan, and all laws applicable to this nominating process and the General Election.

**III. Notice:**

The 66<sup>th</sup> HD Nominating Committee shall provide notice of this caucus by placement of a general notice of the caucus, including noticing the caucus date, time, and location, along with the Call to Caucus, on the Spotsylvania County Democratic Committee website

(spotsydem.com); Caroline County Democratic Committee website (carolinedems.com); by email notification to the members of the Spotsylvania and Caroline County Democrats who reside in the 66<sup>th</sup> HD; and through other reasonable means that will disseminate information about the caucus to registered voters in the 66<sup>th</sup> HD. In addition, reasonable actions shall be taken to promote participation in the caucus in accordance with the Affirmative Action provisions of the Party Plan of the DPVA.

#### **IV. Participation:**

Every Democrat who is a registered voter in the 66<sup>th</sup> HD is urged to attend and participate. Each participant must sign a written declaration that he or she:

- Is a Democrat and not a member of any other political party;
- Does not intend to support any candidate who is opposed to a Democratic nominee in this General Election;
- Has not participated in and will not participate in the nominating process of any other party for the positions listed above; and
- Is registered to vote in the 66<sup>th</sup> HD District.

#### **V. Conduct of Caucus**

Voting will begin at 1:00pm and will close at 5:00pm. Those in line at the close of voting will be permitted to vote.

The Chair of 66<sup>th</sup> HD Democratic Nominating Committee or his or her designee, shall be the Chair of the Caucus and shall appoint a Secretary and such other Officers of the Caucus as is deemed appropriate. The 66<sup>th</sup> HD Democratic Nominating Committee, will prepare the Rules for the Caucus.

#### **VI. Determination of Nominee:**

If more than one candidate files for the Democratic nominee for the 66<sup>th</sup> HD by the deadline, the candidates will be listed alphabetically on the ballot and will be elected by a plurality of the votes of the unassembled caucus.

If only one person files properly to be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for the 66<sup>th</sup> HD general election by the filing deadline, the 66<sup>th</sup> HD Democratic Nominating Committee may cancel the caucus and declare that person the nominee. If no person files properly to be a candidate for the Democratic nominee for the 66<sup>th</sup> HD by the deadline, the 66<sup>th</sup> HD Democratic Nominating Committee may cancel the caucus. If there is no filed candidate, or if the properly nominated candidate withdraws or dies, or if the caucus is unable or does not occur in the times and dates specified, the 66<sup>th</sup> HD Democratic Nominating Committee Chair may, before 5:00pm,

June 19, 2023, at an agreed upon date and time, convene the 54<sup>th</sup> HD Democratic Nominating Committee to consider the nomination of a qualified candidate who may become the Democratic nominee upon first filing with the Chair a Declaration of Candidacy form and paying the filing fee for such office.

**VII. Waivers:**

The 66<sup>th</sup> HD Democratic Nominating Committee shall seek appropriate waivers from the Democratic Party of Virginia (DPVA) regarding expediting the time frames required by the Party Plan, if necessary.

ADOPTED: May 25, 2023                /s/ Robert A Martin            
Date                      Chair 66<sup>th</sup> HD Democratic Nominating Committee

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