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**OFFICIAL NOTICE  
ESSEX COUNTY, VIRGINIA  
DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS**

The Essex County Virginia Democratic Committee hereby announces that it will hold an assembled caucus beginning at **7:00 PM on Thursday, April 1, 2010, in the Essex County Public Library, 117 North Church Ln, Tappahannock, VA 22560**. The purpose of the caucus will be to elect 3 delegates and 2 alternates to the First Congressional District Democratic Convention, from 1:00 to 4:00 PM on Saturday, May 8, 2010, at the Walker Grant Middle School, 1 Learning Lane (off US-1 South of Route 3).Fredericksburg, Virginia.

The purpose of the First Congressional District Democratic Conventions shall be to nominate a candidate to the U.S. House of Representatives and to conduct such other business as may properly come before the Convention.

1. **Pre-filing:** Those persons wishing to have their names placed on the ballot at the Caucus as a delegate or alternate must file a “**Delegate or Alternate Pre-Filing Form**” with Jacob Plummer, Chair of the Essex County Virginia Democratic Committee, 2003 Scotts Mill Rd, Tappahannock, Va.22560 prior to 5:00 PM, 30 March 2010. The certificate of candidacy may be downloaded at:  
<http://www.1stcdvademocrats.info/local%20committees/Essex.htm>.

Slate voting for delegates and alternates shall not be permitted at this caucus. All properly pre-filed persons will be listed on the ballot in alphabetical order. The ballot will also indicate the candidate preference (or no candidate, or uncommitted) and it will indicate whether they are running for a delegate or an alternate slot for each individual who pre-files.

2. **Voluntary Administrative Fee:** There shall be a voluntary administrative fee of ten dollars (\$20.00) for each person filing for delegate or alternate, payable to the Essex County Democratic Committee. Payment of the fee is completely voluntary and is to cover the cost of the convention. No statement is required in order to waive payment. There is no charge for those wishing to attend and vote at the caucus.

3. **Caucus Cancellation:** The caucus will be cancelled if the number of pre-filers is equal to, or less than, the number to be elected. If that should transpire, all those who pre-filed will be considered elected. It will be the responsibility of the committee Chairperson or his/her designee to post the cancellation on the committee website and send out emails to all pre-filers to inform them of the cancellation.

**4. Conduct of the Caucus:** Doors to the caucus will open for check-in at 6:30 PM. Any person attending the caucus shall sign a standardized **Caucus Declaration Form** stating that he or she is a Democrat; does not intend to support any candidate who is opposed to a Democratic Party nominee in the ensuing election; is not a member of any other political party; has not participated in and will not participate in the nominating process of any other party for the 2010 general election; and is a registered voter and a resident of Essex County, Virginia. The Caucus Declaration Form must be completed before participating in the Caucus. At 7:00 PM, the doors to the caucus will be closed and no person may complete a form and enter the caucus after that time with the exception of those in line at the above mentioned time.

The Chair of the Essex County Virginia Democratic Committee or his/her designee shall be the Temporary Chair of the Caucus and shall appoint a Temporary Secretary and such other Temporary Officers of the Caucus as appropriate.

For additional information, please contact Chair, Jacob Plummer at [japlummer72@gmail.com](mailto:japlummer72@gmail.com)

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