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February 7, 1972

The Honorable Richard M. Nixon
The President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. President:

Notice is hereby given that as Secretary of State of the State of Rhode Island I intend to place your name on the Presidential Preference Primary ballot labels as a bona fide national candidate for presidential nominee of the Republican Party at the primary to be held on May 23, 1972.

If any candidate whose name has been announced as a presidential nominee does not wish his name to appear on the ballot, he shall at least twenty-one (21) days prior to the date for the primary, file an affidavit with the secretary of state stating his name may not be placed on the ballot and the secretary of state shall not place his name or the name of any delegates supporting such candidate on the ballot.

The final date for withdrawal is May 2, 1972. However, it would be appreciated by this office that if you do not intend to participate in the primary you so advise me at the earliest possible moment.

Enclosed is a copy of the Rhode Island Presidential Preference Primary Law and excerpts of the 1972 Calendar of Presidential Preference Primary dates.

Respectfully yours,

August P. LaFrance

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Secretary of State

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**CALENDAR OF PRESIDENTIAL
PREFERENCE PRIMARY DATES**

*Prepared by the Office of the
SECRETARY OF STATE*

With interpretative comment.



NOTE: The determination of many of the dates herein contained is a matter of interpretation, as can be observed from the comment relative thereto. The determinations herein contained are based upon the interpretations of the office of the Secretary of State in connection with the printing of this calendar, which is intended to be a guide to assist all candidates. It must be clearly understood that any dates herein contained, which are based upon such interpretations, cannot be presumed to be official.

Except where otherwise specifically stated, all references are to Title 17 of the General Laws, 1956, (re-enactment of 1969), as amended, and as further amended by chapter 2 of the Public Laws, 1972.

NOTE: Official time is Daylight Saving Time for both primaries, Democrat and Republican on May 23, 1972.



State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

JANUARY SESSION, 1972

CHAPTER 2.

AN ACT Providing for Presidential Preference Primaries.

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Approved
Jan. 26, 1972.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 12.1 of title 17 of the general laws entitled "Primaries for election of delegates to national conventions and for presidential preference", as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 12.1

Primaries for Election of Delegates to National Convention and for Presidential Preference.

"17-12.1-1. DATE OF PRIMARIES FOR ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO NATIONAL CONVENTIONS.—A primary election for the election of delegates to the national convention for each political party shall be held in the manner hereinafter provided, on the ~~second~~ **fourth** Tuesday in ~~April~~ **May**, 1972, and every fourth year thereafter.