

# REPRESENTATIVE:

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Under the current timeline, the next representative for House District 25 will be sworn into office on Monday, Dec. 13.

“While Republicans technically have 30 days to fill the seat, they don’t want the district unrepresented for 30 days especially with the special session,” Post said in an interview with the *Keizertimes* on Dec. 3. Oregon lawmakers are set to meet on Dec. 13 to discuss eviction protections and the state’s rent assistance program, which has run out of funds.

According to a spokesperson with the Marion County Republicans, the candidates who had filed for the seat as of Wednesday morning were Jessica Davidson, Jessica George, Scott Guptill, and Erin Bryant.

Republican precinct committee persons in Marion and Yamhill counties, the two counties represented by House District 25, met on Thursday, Dec. 9 to decide how many, and which, candidates they would send on to Yamhill and Marion county commissioners for a final vote.

The precinct committee persons are required to nominate between three and five candidates for the county commissioners to vote on. With only four candidates, Post estimated that they would choose three.

At the nominating convention,

which took place at the City of Keizer Community Center, candidates introduced themselves and answered questions from approximately 75 Republican precinct committee persons.

The Oregon Republican Party denied the *Keizertimes* request to attend the nominating convention on Thursday.

After being selected at the nominating convention, the final candidates will then be interviewed and voted on by Marion and Yamhill county commissioners on Friday, Dec. 10.

“I made it very public at the last Marion County meeting that I am in support of three candidates and would be thrilled if Jessica George, Jessica Davidson or Scott Guptill were selected,” Post said.

Davidson is a resident of Keizer and has served on the City of Keizer’s Volunteer Coordinating Committee since 2020.

The chosen candidate will serve until Post’s term is set to expire sometime in January 2022 – unless they choose to run in the 2022 midterms.

House District 25 will be split up into three different districts next year due to the redistricting that occurred earlier this year. Keizer will move into District 21 along with a larger portion of north and east Salem.

According to multiple Republican



Photo courtesy of Bill Post’s social media.

sources, Kevin Mannix, a former Republican state representative and Salem-resident, is preparing to run for the District 21 seat in 2022.

Mannix is one of the more prominent Republican names in Oregon and lost to Ted Kulongoski in the 2002 Oregon governor’s race by three percent.

Updates on county commissioners vote Friday will be available on the *Keizertimes* website and social media pages.

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Former District 25 Representative, 2013-2021

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