After careful consideration, I have decided to withdraw my name from consideration as a candidate for State Assembly at our Republican Convention.

I entered this race because I believe I had the best chance to win in November. The people of the Second District know the Risley name and have trusted me many times with their vote. However, the time has come to take a different course.

I wish to thank all of the delegates who expressed their support or endorsement for my candidacy, particularly the Atlantic City Republican Club. As always, I will wholeheartedly back all of the successful nominees of our Party. I look forward to continuing my work for the betterment of Atlantic County as a member of the Board of Commissioners.

John W. Risley, Jr.

Vice Chairman, Atlantic County Board of Commissioners