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Michael Maibach, Founder and Director of the Center for the Electoral College, speaking to Alexandria's Commonwealth Republican Women's Club (CRWC).

Republican Women Hear Electoral College Expert Michael Maibach

ALEXANDRIA, VA –

The Commonwealth Republican Women's Club (CRWC) guest speaker at its November meeting was Michael Maibach, the Founder and Director of the Center for the Electoral College.

Maibach explained why he believes the Electoral College works so well and why it assures a representative government. Each state has equal representation in the Senate and proportional representation in the House. This is the basis of the electoral system and recognizes both large and small states. The Electoral College was organized by our Founding Fathers to ensure a decentralized, representative process. He stressed that it has been a stable and straightforward form of electing a U.S. President.

He warned of efforts underway seeking to replace our longstanding Electoral College voting rules with an election procedure that may sound democratic but which in fact would consolidate power and create an autocratic nation. He referred to a coalition of states that are working to advance an agreement to require Electoral College votes to be cast for the winner of the nation-wide popular vote, rather than for the candidate receiving the most votes in their respective states. Maibach argued that this would result in the loss of liberty for all American citizens, in part because it would concentrate power in a few highly-populated geographical areas.

In light of the recent 2019 election there may be efforts to have Virginia replace the Electoral College with the popular vote. CRWC members were anxious to support the work of the Center for the Electoral College to retain the Electoral College as it presently exists. They hope to begin an in-depth public conversation about the issue before Virginia considers replacing the Electoral College with the popular vote.

CRWC is the Alexandria chapter of both the Virginia and the National Federation of Republican Women (VFRW and NFRW). More information is available at www.alexandriacrwc.org. The Center for the Electoral College can be found at www.CenterElectoralCollege.us.