## NOTICE OF REFERENDUM SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MONTICELLO AUGUST 9, 2022

## **Referendum Election Details**

At an election to be held in the School District of Monticello on August 9, 2022 the following proposed resolution of the school district will be submitted to a vote of the people:

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A REFERENDUM ELECTION ON THE QUESTION OF THE APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET TO EXCEED REVENUE LIMIT FOR RECURRING AND NON-RECURRING PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the School Board of the School District of Monticello, Green County, Wisconsin (the "District"), has heretofore duly adopted a resolution entitled: "Resolution Authorizing the School District Budget to Exceed Revenue Limit for Recurring and Non-Recurring Purposes" (the "Revenue Limit Resolution"); and

WHEREAS, the School Board deems it to be desirable and in the best interest of the District to direct the District Clerk to submit the Revenue Limit Resolution to the electors for approval or rejection at the regularly scheduled election to be held on August 9, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of the District as follows:

Section 1. Referendum Election Date. The District Clerk is hereby directed to call a referendum election to be held in the District at the regularly scheduled primary election to be held on August 9, 2022 for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the District the proposition of whether the Revenue Limit Resolution shall be approved.

<u>Section 2. Notice to Electors</u>. The District Clerk is directed to give notice by:

- (a) causing a Notice of Election in substantially the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u> to be published in the <u>Post Messenger Recorder</u> in the issue published immediately prior to the fourth Tuesday before the referendum election.
- (b) causing a Notice of Referendum (which includes the facsimile of the sample ballot) in substantially the form attached hereto as <a href="Exhibit B">Exhibit B</a> to be published in the <a href="Post Messenger Recorder">Post Messenger Recorder</a> in the issue published immediately preceding the referendum election. This Notice shall also be posted in each polling place on election day.

If any of the municipalities within the District use an electronic voting system employing a ballot label and ballot card, the Notice of Referendum set forth in <a href="Exhibit B">Exhibit B</a> shall also include a true, actual-size copy of the ballot label and ballot card in the form in which they will appear on election day.

<u>Section 3. Polling Places and Hours</u>. The District electors must vote at the referendum election at the times and polling places at which they cast their ballots in regularly scheduled elections.

<u>Section 4. Referendum Election Officials</u>. The election officials appointed in each of the municipalities within the District shall conduct the election.

<u>Section 5. Official Referendum Ballot Form</u>. The ballot to be used at the referendum election shall be prepared in accordance with the provisions of Sections

5.64(2) and 7.08(1)(a), Wisconsin Statutes. The ballot shall be substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit C.

The District Clerk shall cause to be printed sufficient ballots for use at said referendum election, both as actual ballots in those polling places which do not use voting machines and as absentee ballots where voting machines are used and as specimen ballots (the latter to be of a different and easily identifiable color from the actual ballot). The form of the ballot shall be filed with the official responsible for providing the ballots for the election, and the District Clerk shall file a copy of the ballot with the clerk of each county having territory within the District, as soon as possible after the date hereof but in no event later than 70 days prior to the election, as provided in Section 8.37, Wisconsin Statutes. If the District prepares the ballots, they should be delivered to the municipal clerks running the election at least 52 days prior to the election, to allow the municipal clerks to comply with their obligation to provide absentee ballots under Section 7.15, Wisconsin Statutes.

The municipal clerks of the municipalities within the District shall receive applications for absentee ballots and initial the same when issued to qualified absentee voters.

Section 6. Canvass. The returns of the referendum election shall be canvassed by the Board of Canvassers of each municipality within the District. Each Board of Canvassers shall certify the returns of the referendum election to the District Clerk. The District Clerk and two other reputable citizens appointed by the District Clerk prior to the date of the referendum election shall act as the District's Board of Canvassers for this referendum election. This Board of Canvassers shall meet in open session no later than 9:00 a.m. on the Tuesday after the election to determine the result of the referendum election. The canvass shall be open to the public and the District Clerk is directed to give due notice of said meeting.

Section 7. DPI Notice. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 121.91(3), Wisconsin Statutes, the District Clerk shall notify the Department of Public Instruction of the date of the referendum election and shall provide the Department with copies of the Revenue Limit Resolution within 10 days after the adoption of the Revenue Limit Resolution and shall further notify the Department of the results of the referendum within 10 days following the election using the method prescribed by the Department. Adopted and recorded May 11, 2022.

Randall Smith, District President

ATTEST: Ron Blumer, District Clerk

## **Ballot Text**

The question will appear on the ballot as follows:

Shall the School District of Monticello, Green County, Wisconsin be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$820,000 beginning with the 2022-2023 school year for recurring purposes and by an additional \$280,000 per year (for a total of \$1,100,000) for the 2022-2023 school year through the 2025-2026 school year for non-recurring purposes, consisting of operational expenses, including Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) and other educational programming, bus garage upgrades, acquiring vehicles, classroom equipment, maintenance and repair projects and remodeling classrooms?

## **Explanation**

The referendum election ballot will ask District electors to vote "yes" or "no" on the referendum election question as set forth above.

A "yes" vote on the question is a vote to authorize the School District of Monticello budget to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$820,000 beginning with the 2022-2023 school year for recurring purposes and by an

additional \$280,000 per year (for a total of \$1,100,000) for the 2022-2023 school year through the 2025-2026 school year for non-recurring purposes, consisting of operational expenses, including Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) and other educational programming, bus garage upgrades, acquiring vehicles, classroom equipment, maintenance and repair projects and remodeling classrooms. A "no" vote on the question is a vote to deny the School District of Monticello the authority to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$820,000 beginning with the 2022-2023 school year for recurring purposes and by an additional \$280,000 per year (for a total of \$1,100,000) for the 2022-2023 school year through the 2025-2026 school year for non-recurring purposes, consisting of operational expenses, including Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) and other educational programming, bus garage upgrades, acquiring vehicles, classroom equipment, maintenance and repair projects and remodeling classrooms. In the event a majority of the electors voting on the question vote "yes", the District will be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$820,000 beginning with the 2022-2023 school year for recurring purposes and by an additional \$280,000 per year (for a total of \$1,100,000) for the 2022-2023 school year through the 2025-2026 school year for non-recurring purposes, consisting of operational expenses, including Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) and other educational programming, bus garage upgrades, acquiring vehicles, classroom equipment, maintenance and repair projects and remodeling classrooms; if a majority vote "no" on the question set forth above, the District will not be so authorized.

Done in the City of Monroe on July 26, 2022.

Arianna I., Voegeli, Green County Clerk