

CERTIFICATE AS TO RESOLUTION AND ADOPTING VOTE

I, the undersigned, being the duly qualified and acting recording officer of School District No. 1 (Helena), Lewis and Clark County, Montana (the "District"), hereby certify that the attached resolution is a true copy of a Resolution entitled: "A RESOLUTION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (HELENA), LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY, MONTANA, SUBMITTING TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE DISTRICT THE QUESTION OF ISSUING GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS IN ONE OR MORE SERIES IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO SEVENTY MILLION AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$70,000,000.00) FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS TO PAY THE COSTS OF DESIGNING, CONSTRUCTING, IMPROVING, RENOVATING, EQUIPPING, AND FURNISHING SCHOOLS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DISTRICT'S EDUCATIONAL FACILITY GUIDELINES DEVELOPED IN RESPONSE TO SHIFTING STUDENT ENROLLMENT TRENDS, HEALTH AND SAFETY CONCERNS, AND TECHNOLOGY NEEDS, TO INCLUDE, TO THE EXTENT REASONABLY FEASIBLE, PROVIDING TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INTERCOM, AND BELL FEATURES AT ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOLS IN THE DISTRICT; INSTALLING VIDEO MONITORING AND ACCESS CONTROL SYSTEMS AND ESTABLISHING SINGLE POINTS OF ENTRY AND OTHER SECURITY UPGRADES AT ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS IN THE DISTRICT; ACQUIRING LAND ADJACENT TO THE JIM DARCY SCHOOL CAMPUS AS NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE AND CONSTRUCTING AND IMPROVING ON THE CAMPUS A NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING IN REPLACEMENT OF THE EXISTING JIM DARCY SCHOOL AND ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENTS; CONSTRUCTING AND IMPROVING A NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING ON THE SMITH SCHOOL CAMPUS, RENOVATING THE GYMNASIUM, AND MAKING ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENTS AND ADJUSTMENTS TO THE EXISTING SCHOOL BUILDING; RENOVATING AND IMPROVING WARREN SCHOOL AND CONSTRUCTING AND IMPROVING SUBSTANTIAL ADDITIONAL SPACE TO INCLUDE CLASSROOMS, LIBRARY, GYMNASIUM/MULTIPURPOSE SPACE, TECHNOLOGY LABORATORY, AND ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENTS; RENOVATING AND IMPROVING CENTRAL SCHOOL AND THE 7TH AVENUE GYM TO INCLUDE STRUCTURAL UPGRADES, COMPLIANCE WITH AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT AND BUILDING CODE REQUIREMENTS, GENERAL UPGRADES AND REPAIR, PLAYGROUND/FIELD IMPROVEMENTS, AND ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENTS; RENOVATING AND IMPROVING ROSSITER SCHOOL AND CONSTRUCTING AND IMPROVING ADDITIONAL SPACE TO INCLUDE A GYMNASIUM, LIBRARY, MUSIC ROOM, CLASSROOMS, AND ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENTS; RENOVATING AND IMPROVING FOUR GEORGIANS, JEFFERSON, BROADWATER, KESSLER, AND BRYANT SCHOOLS TO ADDRESS SPACE CONCERNS, UPGRADE TECHNOLOGY, AND ENHANCE FUNCTIONALITY; BUILDING A NEW TECHNOLOGY LAB AT EACH OF HAWTHORNE AND LINCOLN SCHOOL; RELATED IMPROVEMENTS AND TRANSITIONAL EXPENDITURES; AND PAYING COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE SALE AND ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS" (the "Resolution"), on file in the original records of the District in my legal custody; that the Resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Trustees of the District at a meeting on March 24, 2015, and that the meeting was duly held by the Board of Trustees and was attended throughout by a quorum, pursuant to call and notice of such meeting given as required by law; and that the

Resolution has not as of the date hereof been amended or repealed.

I further certify that, upon vote being taken on the Resolution at said meeting, the following Trustees voted in favor thereof: _____; voted against the same: _____; abstained from voting thereon: _____; or were absent: _____.

WITNESS my hand and seal officially this _____ day of March, 2015.

School District Clerk

A RESOLUTION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (HELENA), LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY, MONTANA, SUBMITTING TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE DISTRICT THE QUESTION OF ISSUING GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS IN ONE OR MORE SERIES IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO SEVENTY MILLION AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$70,000,000.00) FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS TO PAY THE COSTS OF DESIGNING, CONSTRUCTING, IMPROVING, RENOVATING, EQUIPPING, AND FURNISHING SCHOOLS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DISTRICT'S EDUCATIONAL FACILITY GUIDELINES DEVELOPED IN RESPONSE TO SHIFTING STUDENT ENROLLMENT TRENDS, HEALTH AND SAFETY CONCERNS, AND TECHNOLOGY NEEDS, TO INCLUDE, TO THE EXTENT REASONABLY FEASIBLE, PROVIDING TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INTERCOM, AND BELL FEATURES AT ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOLS IN THE DISTRICT; INSTALLING VIDEO MONITORING AND ACCESS CONTROL SYSTEMS AND ESTABLISHING SINGLE POINTS OF ENTRY AND OTHER SECURITY UPGRADES AT ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS IN THE DISTRICT; ACQUIRING LAND ADJACENT TO THE JIM DARCY SCHOOL CAMPUS AS NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE AND CONSTRUCTING AND IMPROVING ON THE CAMPUS A NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING IN REPLACEMENT OF THE EXISTING JIM DARCY SCHOOL AND ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENTS; CONSTRUCTING AND IMPROVING A NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING ON THE SMITH SCHOOL CAMPUS, RENOVATING THE GYMNASIUM, AND MAKING ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENTS AND ADJUSTMENTS TO THE EXISTING SCHOOL BUILDING; RENOVATING AND IMPROVING WARREN SCHOOL AND CONSTRUCTING AND IMPROVING SUBSTANTIAL ADDITIONAL SPACE TO INCLUDE CLASSROOMS, LIBRARY, GYMNASIUM/MULTIPURPOSE SPACE, TECHNOLOGY LABORATORY, AND ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENTS; RENOVATING AND IMPROVING CENTRAL SCHOOL AND THE 7TH AVENUE GYM TO INCLUDE STRUCTURAL UPGRADES, COMPLIANCE WITH AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT AND BUILDING CODE REQUIREMENTS, GENERAL UPGRADES AND REPAIR, PLAYGROUND/FIELD IMPROVEMENTS, AND ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENTS; RENOVATING AND IMPROVING ROSSITER SCHOOL AND CONSTRUCTING AND IMPROVING ADDITIONAL SPACE TO INCLUDE A GYMNASIUM, LIBRARY, MUSIC ROOM, CLASSROOMS, AND ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENTS; RENOVATING AND IMPROVING FOUR GEORGIANS, JEFFERSON, BROADWATER, KESSLER, AND BRYANT SCHOOLS TO ADDRESS SPACE CONCERNS, UPGRADE TECHNOLOGY, AND ENHANCE FUNCTIONALITY; BUILDING A NEW TECHNOLOGY LAB AT EACH OF HAWTHORNE AND LINCOLN SCHOOL; RELATED IMPROVEMENTS AND TRANSITIONAL EXPENDITURES; AND PAYING COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE SALE AND ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the board of trustees of a school district may issue bonds on the credit of the school district for the purpose of building, altering, repairing, buying, furnishing, equipping, purchasing lands for, and/or obtaining a water supply for a school, teacherage, dormitory, gymnasium, other building, or combination of said buildings for school purposes, upon approval of the electorate of the district; and

WHEREAS, a board is authorized pursuant to Section 20-9-421, M.C.A., to call a bond election by adopting a resolution to that effect; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of School District No. 1 (Helena), Lewis and Clark County, Montana (the "District") has determined that there should be submitted to the electors of the District qualified to vote at bond elections the question of whether the Board shall be authorized to issue and sell bonds of the District for the purpose of providing funds to pay the costs of designing, constructing, improving, renovating, equipping, and furnishing schools in accordance with the District's Educational Facility Guidelines developed in response to shifting student enrollment trends, health and safety concerns, and technology needs, to include, to the extent reasonably feasible, providing telecommunications, intercom, and bell features at elementary and middle schools in the District; installing video monitoring and access control systems and establishing single points of entry and other security upgrades at elementary schools in the District; acquiring land adjacent to the Jim Darcy School campus as necessary or appropriate and constructing and improving on the campus a new elementary school building in replacement of the existing Jim Darcy School and associated improvements; constructing and improving a new elementary school building on the Smith School campus, renovating the gymnasium, and making associated improvements and adjustments to the existing school building; renovating and improving Warren School and constructing and improving substantial additional space to include classrooms, library, gymnasium/multipurpose space, technology laboratory, and associated improvements; renovating and improving Central School and the 7th Avenue Gym to include structural upgrades, compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act and building code requirements, general upgrades and repair, playground/field improvements, and associated improvements; renovating and improving Rossiter School and constructing and improving additional space to include a gymnasium, library, music room, classrooms, and associated improvements; renovating and improving Four Georgians, Jefferson, Broadwater, Kessler, and Bryant Schools to address space concerns, upgrade technology, and enhance functionality; building a new technology lab at each of Hawthorne and Lincoln School; related improvements and transitional expenditures; and paying costs associated with the sale and issuance of the bonds; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 13-19-104, M.C.A., such election can be conducted by a mail ballot election; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that a mail ballot election conducted in accordance with the provisions of Title 13, Chapter 19, Parts 1-3, M.C.A. (the "Mail Ballot Act"), is in the best interests of the District and the electors thereof, and has notified the County

Election Administrator of Lewis and Clark County of its intent to conduct a mail ballot election, which notification was not less than seventy days prior to the date of the proposed election; and

WHEREAS, the County Election Administrator will prepare a mail ballot election plan in accordance with the provisions of Section 13-19-205, M.C.A. (the "Mail Ballot Plan"); and

WHEREAS, it is the judgment of the Board that the sum of up to Seventy Million and No/100 Dollars (\$70,000,000.00) will be necessary to carry out the purpose set forth above; and

WHEREAS, the indebtedness to be evidenced by the proposed bonds and all other indebtedness of the District does not exceed the limitation as set forth in Section 20-9-406, M.C.A.; and

WHEREAS, it is the judgment and determination of the Board that each series of said bonds will be payable during a term of not more than twenty (20) years.

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

1. Calling of the Election. The Board of the District hereby calls and directs a special election to be held in the District on June 18, 2015, which date is not less than 40 days after the passage of this resolution, to be conducted by mail ballot pursuant to the provisions of the Mail Ballot Act, for the purpose of voting on the question of whether the Board may issue and sell general obligation school building bonds of the District in one or more series in the aggregate principal amount of up to Seventy Million and No/100 Dollars (\$70,000,000.00), bearing interest at rates to be determined at the time of the sale, payable semiannually, during a term as to each series of bonds of not more than twenty (20) years, for the purpose of providing funds to pay the costs of designing, constructing, improving, renovating, equipping, and furnishing schools in accordance with the District's Educational Facility Guidelines developed in response to shifting student enrollment trends, health and safety concerns, and technology needs, to include, to the extent reasonably feasible, providing telecommunications, intercom, and bell features at elementary and middle schools in the District; installing video monitoring and access control systems and establishing single points of entry and other security upgrades at elementary schools in the District; acquiring land adjacent to the Jim Darcy School campus as necessary or appropriate and constructing and improving on the campus a new elementary school building in replacement of the existing Jim Darcy School and associated improvements; constructing and improving a new elementary school building on the Smith School campus, renovating the gymnasium, and making associated improvements and adjustments to the existing school building; renovating and improving Warren School and constructing and improving substantial additional space to include classrooms, library, gymnasium/multipurpose space, technology laboratory, and associated improvements; renovating and improving Central School and the 7th Avenue Gym to include structural upgrades, compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act and building code requirements, general upgrades and repair, playground/field improvements, and associated improvements; renovating and improving Rossiter School and constructing and improving additional space to include a gymnasium, library, music room, classrooms, and associated improvements; renovating and improving Four Georgians, Jefferson, Broadwater, Kessler, and Bryant Schools to address space concerns, upgrade technology, and enhance

functionality; building a new technology lab at each of Hawthorne and Lincoln School; related improvements and transitional expenditures; and paying costs associated with the sale and issuance of the bonds. Each series of bonds shall be payable during a term of not more than twenty (20) years, subject to redemption as required by law, and shall bear interest at a rate or rates to be determined at the time of the sale.

2. Estimate of State Advance for School Facilities. Pursuant to Section 20-9-422, M.C.A., the District has requested from OPI a statement of the estimated amount of State advance for school facilities that the District is eligible to receive under M.C.A., Sections 20-9-367 and 20-9-371 for debt service payments on the bonds in the first fiscal year in which a debt service payment is due. The state advance estimate applicable to the District received from OPI is approximately \$538,103 based on an estimated annual bond payment of \$4,925,275 for a proposed bond issue in the estimated amount of \$70,000,000.

3. Conduct of Election. All qualified electors of the District shall be entitled to vote at the bond election. Pursuant to Section 20-20-201, M.C.A., the District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to give notice of the call and details of this election and to provide this resolution to the Lewis and Clark County Election Administrator at least thirty-five days prior to the election. The Lewis and Clark County Election Administrator is requested to close registration and thereafter prepare printed lists of the electors in the District entitled to vote in the election in the District in the form and manner prescribed by law and consistent with the Mail Ballot Plan. The County Election Administrator shall prepare the ballot and arrange for the printing of the ballot and conduct the election in accordance with all legal requirements.

4. Notice of Election. The County Election Administrator is hereby authorized and requested to cause notice of the call and holding of the election to be given three times in the four weeks preceding the election, one publication being not less than 20 or more than 30 days prior to the election, in the Helena *Independent-Record*, a newspaper of general circulation in the District, and the District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause the notice to be posted at three public places in the District, with at least one notice being posted in each ward or precinct in the District. The notice of election as published and posted shall read substantially as follows with such completions and additions as may be required by the Mail Ballot Plan or otherwise:

NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOND ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Board of Trustees (the “Board”) of School District No. 1 (Helena), Lewis and Clark County, Montana (the “District”), that pursuant to a certain resolution duly adopted at a meeting of the Board on March 24, 2015, a special election of the registered voters of the District will be held by mail ballot election on June 18, 2015 for the purpose of voting on the question of whether the Board may issue and sell general obligation school building bonds of the District in one or more series in the aggregate principal amount of up to Seventy Million and No/100 Dollars (\$70,000,000.00), bearing interest at rates to be determined at the time of the sale, payable semiannually, during a term as to each series of bonds of not more than twenty (20) years, for the purpose of providing funds to pay the costs of designing, constructing, improving, renovating, equipping, and furnishing schools in accordance with the District’s Educational Facility Guidelines developed in response to shifting student enrollment trends, health and safety concerns, and technology needs, to include, to the extent reasonably feasible, providing telecommunications, intercom, and bell features at elementary and middle schools in the District; installing video monitoring and access control systems and establishing single points of entry and other security upgrades at elementary schools in the District; acquiring land adjacent to the Jim Darcy School campus as necessary or appropriate and constructing and improving on the campus a new elementary school building in replacement of the existing Jim Darcy School and associated improvements; constructing and improving a new elementary school building on the Smith School campus, renovating the gymnasium, and making associated improvements and adjustments to the existing school building; renovating and improving Warren School and constructing and improving substantial additional space to include classrooms, library, gymnasium/multipurpose space, technology laboratory, and associated improvements; renovating and improving Central School and the 7th Avenue Gym to include structural upgrades, compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act and building code requirements, general upgrades and repair, playground/field improvements, and associated improvements; renovating and improving Rossiter School and constructing and improving additional space to include a gymnasium, library, music room, classrooms, and associated improvements; renovating and improving Four Georgians, Jefferson, Broadwater, Kessler, and Bryant Schools to address space concerns, upgrade technology, and enhance functionality; building a new technology lab at each of Hawthorne and Lincoln School; related improvements and transitional expenditures; and paying costs associated with the sale and issuance of the bonds. Each series of bonds shall bear interest at a rate or rates to be determined at the time of sale and be payable semiannually during a term of not more than twenty (20) years.

The election will be conducted solely by mail ballot. Ballots will be mailed to all eligible registered voters in the District on June 3, 2015, and must be returned by each voter, by mail or in person to the Lewis and Clark County Elections Office, City-County Building, 316 North Park Ave., Room 168, Helena, MT 59623 or in person to the May Butler Center, 55 S. Rodney, Helena, Montana, during regular business hours (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.), weekdays (exclusive of holidays), June 4, 2015 through June 17, 2015, or as described in the following paragraph.

On Election Day, June 18, 2015, the only place for deposit of voted ballots will be the Lewis and Clark County Elections Office, City-County Building, 316 North Park Ave., Room 168, Helena, Montana or the May Butler Center, 55 S. Rodney, Helena, Montana, and all ballots

must be in that office or that center by 8:00 p.m. to be counted. All ballots will be tallied in the Lewis and Clark County Elections Office on June 18, 2015.

A qualified voter who will be absent from the District during the time the election is being conducted may:

(a) vote in person in the office of the County Election Administrator as soon as the ballots are available and until noon on June 2, 2015; or

(b) make a written request prior to noon on June 2, 2015, signed by the applicant and addressed to the office of the County Election Administrator requesting the ballot be mailed to an address other than that which appears on the registration records. All ballots to be mailed will be mailed no later than June 3, 2015.

An elector may obtain a replacement ballot if his or her ballot is destroyed, spoiled, lost, or not received by the elector by requesting a replacement ballot from the County Election Administrator on a form prescribed by the Montana Secretary of State, with such request made no later than 8:00 p.m. on June 18, 2015 and in sufficient time to allow the eligible voter to vote as described above.

DATED this ___ day of _____, 2015.

County Election Administrator

Publication Dates: May 28, June 4, and June 11, 2015

5. Form of Ballot. The ballot shall be printed in substantially the following form:

OFFICIAL BALLOT
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (HELENA)
LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY, MONTANA

BOND ELECTION TO BE CONDUCTED BY MAIL BALLOT ON
JUNE 18, 2015

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: Make an X or similar mark in the vacant square before the words “BONDS —YES” if you wish to vote for the bond issue; if you are opposed to the bond issue, make an X or similar mark in the square before the words “BONDS —NO.”

Shall the Board of Trustees of School District No. 1 (Helena), Lewis and Clark County, Montana (the “District”), be authorized to sell and issue general obligation bonds of the District in one or more series in the aggregate principal amount of up to Seventy Million and No/100 Dollars (\$70,000,000.00), bearing interest at rates to be determined at the time of the sale, payable semiannually, during a term as to each series of bonds of not more than twenty (20) years, for the purpose of providing funds to pay the costs of designing, constructing, improving, renovating, equipping, and furnishing schools in accordance with the District’s Educational Facility Guidelines developed in response to shifting student enrollment trends, health and safety concerns, and technology needs, to include, to the extent reasonably feasible, providing telecommunications, intercom, and bell features at elementary and middle schools in the District; installing video monitoring and access control systems and establishing single points of entry and other security upgrades at elementary schools in the District; acquiring land adjacent to the Jim Darcy School campus as necessary or appropriate and constructing and improving on the campus a new elementary school building in replacement of the existing Jim Darcy School and associated improvements; constructing and improving a new elementary school building on the Smith School campus, renovating the gymnasium, and making associated improvements and adjustments to the existing school building; renovating and improving Warren School and constructing and improving substantial additional space to include classrooms, library, gymnasium/multipurpose space, technology laboratory, and associated improvements; renovating and improving Central School and the 7th Avenue Gym to include structural upgrades, compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act and building code requirements, general upgrades and repair, playground/field improvements, and associated improvements; renovating and improving Rossiter School and constructing and improving additional space to include a gymnasium, library, music room, classrooms, and associated improvements; renovating and improving Four Georgians, Jefferson, Broadwater, Kessler, and Bryant Schools to address space concerns, upgrade technology, and enhance functionality; building a new technology lab at each of Hawthorne and Lincoln School; related improvements and transitional expenditures; and paying costs associated with the sale and issuance of the bonds?

BONDS – YES

BONDS – NO

Passed and approved this 24th day of March, 2015.

Chair, Board of Trustees

Attest:

Clerk, School District No. 1