

CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES RELATING TO SPECIAL ELECTION

Issuer: Independent School District No. 833 (South Washington County Schools), Minnesota

Governing Body: School Board

Kind, date, time and place of meeting: A regular meeting held on August 17, 2017, at 6:30 p.m., at the District offices.

Members present:

Members absent:

Documents attached:

Minutes of said meeting (including):

RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE NECESSITY OF RENEWING AN EXPIRING REFERENDUM REVENUE AUTHORIZATION, APPROVING A NEW REFERENDUM REVENUE AUTHORIZATION, APPROVING A CAPITAL PROJECT LEVY AUTHORIZATION AND CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION AND REFERENDUM THEREON

I, the undersigned, being the duly qualified and acting recording officer of the public corporation referred to in the title of this certificate, certify that the documents attached hereto, as described above, have been carefully compared with the original records of said corporation in my legal custody, from which they have been transcribed; that said documents are a correct and complete transcript of the minutes of a meeting of the governing body of said corporation, and correct and complete copies of all resolutions and other actions taken and of all documents approved by the governing body at said meeting; and that said meeting was duly held by the governing body at the time and place and was attended throughout by the members indicated above, pursuant to call and notice of such meeting given as required by law.

WITNESS my hand officially as such recording officer this 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2017.

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School District Clerk

Member \_\_\_\_\_ introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, which motion was seconded by Member \_\_\_\_\_:

RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE NECESSITY OF RENEWING AN EXPIRING REFERENDUM REVENUE AUTHORIZATION, APPROVING A NEW REFERENDUM REVENUE AUTHORIZATION, APPROVING A CAPITAL PROJECT LEVY AUTHORIZATION AND CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION AND REFERENDUM THEREON

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board (the Board) of Independent School District No. 833 (South Washington County Schools), Minnesota (the District) as follows:

It is hereby found, determined and declared as follows:

1. The Board has investigated the facts and does hereby find, determine and declare that it is necessary and expedient to:

(a) renew the School District's existing referendum revenue authorization of \$780.72 per pupil that is scheduled to expire after taxes payable in 2017. The proposed referendum revenue authorization would be first levied in 2017 for taxes payable in 2018 and applicable for ten (10) years unless otherwise revoked or reduced as provided by law. The question on renewing the expiring referendum revenue authorization shall be School District Ballot Question 1 on the School District ballot at the special election held to approve said authorization.

(b) increase the School District's referendum revenue authorization by an additional \$375 per pupil. The proposed referendum revenue authorization would be first levied in 2017 for taxes payable in 2018 and would be applicable for ten (10) years unless otherwise revoked or reduced as provided by law. The question on the approval of this revenue referendum authorization shall be School District Ballot Question 2 on the School District ballot at the special election held to approve said authorization.

(c) approve a capital project levy authorization in the amount of 1.820% times the net tax capacity of the School District to provide funds for the acquisition and installation of improved instructional technology, technology systems, and technology support staffing. The proposed capital project levy authorization will raise approximately \$2,000,000 for taxes payable in 2018, the first year it is to be levied, and would be authorized for ten (10) years. The projects will be commenced prior to July 1, 2018 which is a date not more than five years from the date of the special election approving the capital project levy authorization. The estimated total cost of the projects to be funded over that time period is approximately \$20,000,000. The question on the approval of this capital project levy authorization shall be School District Ballot Question 3 on the School District ballot at the special election held to approve said authorization.

2. If approved by the voters, the funds with respect to the capital project described in paragraph 1(c) will be used only as authorized in Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.10, Subdivision 14. Accordingly, the capital project is not required to be submitted to the Commissioner of Education of the State of Minnesota for Review and Comment pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 123B.71, Subdivision 8.

3. The questions on renewing the School District's existing referendum revenue authorization, approving a new referendum revenue authorization and approving the capital project levy shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the School District at a special election, which is hereby called and directed to be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2017, between the hours of 7:00 o'clock a.m. and 8:00 o'clock p.m.

4. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.11, the School District's combined polling places and the precincts served by the polling place, as established and designated by resolution of the Board, are hereby designated for this special election except that voters residing in the City of St. Paul Park will vote at the polling places designated by the City of St. Paul Park for its regularly scheduled general election.

5. The Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause written notice of the special election to be: (a) provided to the County Auditor at least seventy-four (74) days before the date of the special election; (b) provided to the Commissioner of Education at least seventy-four (74) days before the date of the special election; (c) mailed to every taxpayer in the School District, at least fifteen (15) days but no more than thirty (30) days prior to the date of the special election; (d) posted at the administrative offices of the School District, for public inspection, at least ten (10) days before the date of the special election; and (e) published in the official newspaper of the School District once each week for at least two consecutive weeks, with the last publication being at least one week before the date of the special election. The Notice of Special Election shall be prepared in substantially the following form:

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION  
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 833  
(SOUTH WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOLS), MINNESOTA**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election has been called and will be held in and for Independent School District No. 833 (South Washington County Schools), Minnesota, on November 7, 2017, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. to vote on the following questions:

**SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT QUESTION 1  
RENEWAL OF SCHOOL DISTRICT EXPIRING REFERENDUM REVENUE  
AUTHORIZATION**

The board of Independent School District No. 833 (South Washington County Schools), Minnesota has proposed to renew the existing property tax referendum authorization of \$780.72 per pupil that is scheduled to expire after taxes payable in 2017. The proposed referendum revenue authorization would be first levied in 2017 for taxes payable in 2018 and applicable for ten (10) years unless otherwise revoked or reduced as provided by law.

- YES**      Shall the renewal of the expiring property tax referendum proposed by  
 **NO**        the Board of Independent School District No. 833 (South Washington  
County Schools) be approved?

**PASSAGE OF THIS REFERENDUM EXTENDS AN EXISTING OPERATING REFERENDUM AT THE SAME AMOUNT PER PUPIL AS IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR.**

**SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT QUESTION 2  
APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL REFERENDUM REVENUE AUTHORIZATION**

The board of Independent School District No. 833 (South Washington County Schools), Minnesota has proposed to increase its referendum revenue authorization by an additional \$375 per pupil. The proposed referendum revenue authorization would be first levied in 2017 for taxes payable in 2018 and applicable for ten (10) years unless otherwise revoked or reduced as provided by law.

- YES**      Shall the additional increase in revenue proposed by the board of  
 **NO**        Independent School District No. 833 (South Washington County  
Schools), Minnesota be approved?

**PASSAGE OF THIS REFERENDUM WILL RESULT IN AN INCREASE IN YOUR PROPERTY TAXES.**

For the ballot questions, the property tax portion of the revenue authorized will require an estimated referendum tax rate of 0.15248% for Ballot Question 1 and 0.07404% for Ballot Question 2 of the referendum market value of all classes of taxable property in the School District, as defined by Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.01, Subdivision 3, which excludes certain agricultural property, seasonal property and post-secondary student housing.

The projected annual dollar increases for typical residential homesteads, apartments, commercial-industrial properties, and most other classes of property within the School District are as shown in the table below.

For agricultural property (both homestead and non-homestead), the taxes for the proposed referendum will be based on the value of the house, garage and one acre of land. There will be no referendum taxes paid on the value of agricultural land and buildings. For seasonal recreational residential property (e.g., cabins), there will be no taxes paid for the proposed referendum.

The figures in the table below are based on taxes for the voter approved referendum levy only, and do not include taxes for other purposes:

Homestead Residential, Apartments, and Commercial/Industrial Properties

<u>Market Value</u>	<u>Expiring Levy Authority Taxes Payable in 2017</u>	<u>Question 1 Renewed Levy Authority Taxes Payable in 2018</u>	<u>Dollar Increase Due to Proposed Renewed Levy Authority in 2018</u>	<u>Question 2 Dollar Increase Due to Proposed Levy Authority Taxes Payable in 2018</u>
\$100,000	\$-157	\$152	\$-5	\$74
150,000	-236	229	-7	111
200,000	-314	305	-9	148
250,000	-393	381	-12	185
300,000	-471	457	-14	222
350,000	-550	534	-16	259
400,000	-628	610	-18	296
500,000	-785	762	-23	370
600,000	-942	915	-27	444
700,000	-1,099	1,067	-32	518
800,000	-1,256	1,220	-36	592
900,000	-1,413	1,372	-41	666
1,000,000	-1,570	1,525	-45	740
500,000	-785	762	-23	370
750,000	-1,178	1,144	-34	555
1,000,000	-1,570	1,525	-45	740
1,500,000	-2,355	2,287	-68	1,111
2,000,000	-3,141	3,050	-91	1,481
500,000	-785	762	-23	370
750,000	-1,178	1,144	-34	555
1,000,000	-1,570	1,525	-45	740
2,000,000	-3,141	3,050	-91	1,481

**SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT QUESTION 3  
APPROVAL OF TECHNOLOGY CAPITAL PROJECT LEVY AUTHORIZATION**

The board of Independent School District No. 833 (South Washington County Schools), Minnesota has proposed a capital project levy for the acquisition and installation of improved instructional technology, technology systems, and technology support staffing. The proposed capital project levy authorization will raise approximately \$2,000,000 for taxes payable in 2018, the first year it is to be levied, and would be authorized for ten (10) years. The estimated total cost of the projects to be funded over that time period is approximately \$20,000,000, or 1.820% times the net tax capacity of the school district.

- YES**    Shall the capital project levy proposed by the board of Independent School District No. 833 (South Washington County Schools), Minnesota be approved?
- NO**

**PASSAGE OF THIS REFERENDUM WILL RESULT IN AN INCREASE IN YOUR PROPERTY TAXES**

The figures in the table below are based on taxes for the capital project levy only, and do not include taxes for other purposes:

<b>Market Value</b>	<b>Proposed Capital Project Levy Annual Taxes Payable</b>
<b>Homestead Residential</b>	
\$100,000	\$14
150,000	25
200,000	35
250,000	46
300,000	56
350,000	67
400,000	77
500,000	97
600,000	121
700,000	146
800,000	170
900,000	194
1,000,000	218

**Commercial/Industrial**

\$500,000	\$116
750,000	179
1,000,000	242
1,500,000	367
2,000,000	493

**Apartments**

\$500,000	\$121
750,000	182
1,000,000	243
2,000,000	486

The polling places and precincts served by the polling places for the special election will be as follows:

Polling Places and Combined Polling Places:

Precincts:

St. Paul Park Council Chambers  
600 Portland Avenue  
St. Paul Park, Minnesota 55071

City of St. Paul Park Precinct 1

St. Paul Park City Offices  
600 Portland Avenue  
St. Paul Park, Minnesota 55071

City of St. Paul Park Precincts 2 and 4

Heritage Park Building  
1345 Laurel Avenue  
St. Paul Park, Minnesota 55071

City of St. Paul Park Precinct 3

Woodbury Baptist Church  
6695 Upper Afton Road  
Woodbury, Minnesota 55125

Precinct 1  
City of Woodbury, Precincts 1 , 2 and 3

Woodbury Senior High School  
2665 Woodlane Drive  
Woodbury, Minnesota 55125

Precinct 2  
City of Woodbury, Precincts 4, 5 and 6

Lake Middle School  
3133 Pioneer Drive  
Woodbury, Minnesota 55125

Precinct 3  
City of Woodbury, Precincts 7 and 8,  
10 and 11

Liberty Ridge Elementary School  
11395 Eagle View Boulevard  
Woodbury, Minnesota 55129

Precinct 4  
City of Woodbury, Precincts 12 and 13A;  
City of Afton, Ward 2, Precinct 1



East Ridge High School  
4200 Pioneer Drive  
Woodbury, Minnesota 55129

Precinct 5  
City of Woodbury, Precincts 14, 15 and 16

Newport Elementary School  
851 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Newport, Minnesota 55055

Precinct 7  
City of Newport

Pinehill Elementary School  
9015 Hadley Avenue South  
Cottage Grove, Minnesota 55016

Precinct 8  
City of Cottage Grove, Precincts 6 and 11  
Grey Cloud Island Township

Cottage Grove Elementary School  
7447 65<sup>th</sup> Street South  
Cottage Grove, Minnesota 55016

Precinct 9  
City of Cottage Grove, Precincts 1 and 3

ISD 833 School District Service Center  
7362 East Point Douglas Road  
Cottage Grove, Minnesota 55016

Precinct 10  
City of Cottage Grove, Precincts 7, 8 and 9  
Denmark Township

Cottage Grove Middle School  
9775 Indian Boulevard South  
Cottage Grove, Minnesota 55016

Precinct 11  
City of Cottage Grove, Precincts 2, 4, 5 and  
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All qualified electors residing in said School District may cast their ballots at the polling place for the precincts in which they reside during the polling hours specified above.

A voter must be registered to vote to be eligible to vote in the special election. Unregistered individuals may register to vote at their polling place on election day.

Dated: August 17, 2017

BY ORDER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk

6. If paper ballots are being used, the Clerk is authorized and directed to secure a ballot box for the deposit of ballots at the polling places and to acquire and distribute such election materials as may be necessary for the proper conduct of this special election. If an optical scan voting system is being used, the Clerk shall comply with the laws and rules governing the procedures and requirements for optical scan voting systems. The Clerk is authorized and directed to acquire and distribute such election materials and to take such other actions as may be necessary for the proper conduct of this special election and generally to cooperate with election authorities conducting any other elections on that date. The Clerk and members of the administration are authorized and directed to take such actions as may be necessary to coordinate this election with other elections, including entering into agreements with appropriate municipal and county officials regarding preparation and distribution of ballots or ballot cards, election administration, and cost sharing.


7. If paper ballots are being used, the Clerk is authorized and directed to cause a printed ballot for the questions to be prepared in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.08, Subdivision 5 and the rules of the secretary of state for use at the special election. If an optical scan voting system is being used, the Clerk shall cause official ballots to be printed according to the format of ballots for optical scan voting systems provided by the laws and rules governing optical scan voting systems. The Clerk is further authorized and directed to cause a sample ballot to be posted in the administrative offices of the School District, for public inspection, at least four (4) days before the date of the special election and to cause two sample ballots to be posted at each polling place on the date of the special election and to cooperate with the proper election officials to cause ballots or ballot cards to be prepared for use at said election. The ballot shall be in substantially the following form, with such changes in form and instructions as may be necessary to accommodate the use of an optical scan voting system:

**SCHOOL DISTRICT QUESTION BALLOT**  
**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 833**  
**(SOUTH WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOLS),**  
**MINNESOTA**  
**SPECIAL ELECTION**

November 7, 2017

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

To vote, completely fill in the oval(s) next to your choice(s) like this: 

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To vote for a question, fill in the oval next to the word "Yes" for that question.

To vote against a question, fill in the oval next to the word "No" for that question.

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- YES**      Shall the renewal of the expiring property tax referendum proposed by  
 **NO**        the Board of Independent School District No. 833 (South Washington  
County Schools) be approved?

**BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING TO  
EXTEND AN EXISTING PROPERTY TAX REFERENDUM THAT IS  
SCHEDULED TO EXPIRE**

**SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT QUESTION 2**  
**APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL REFERENDUM REVENUE AUTHORIZATION**

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per pupil. The proposed referendum revenue authorization would be first levied in 2017 for taxes payable in 2018 and applicable for ten (10) years unless otherwise revoked or reduced as provided by law.

- YES** Shall the additional increase in revenue proposed by the board of
- NO** Independent School District No. 833 (South Washington County Schools), Minnesota be approved?

**BY VOTING “YES” ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING FOR A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE**

**SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT QUESTION 3  
APPROVAL OF TECHNOLOGY CAPITAL PROJECT LEVY AUTHORIZATION**

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- YES** Shall the capital project levy proposed by the board of Independent School
- NO** District No. 833 (South Washington County Schools), Minnesota be approved?

**BY VOTING “YES” ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING FOR A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE**

(Reverse side of ballot)

OFFICIAL BALLOT

November 7, 2017

\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge

\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge

(The ballot is to be initialed by two judges)

8. If the School District will be contracting to print the ballots for this special election, the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to prepare instructions to the printer for layout of the ballot. Before a contract in excess of \$1,000 is awarded for printing ballots, the printer shall, upon request, furnish in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 204D.04 a sufficient bond, letter of credit or certified check acceptable to the Clerk in an amount not less than \$1,000 conditioned on printing the ballots in conformity with the Minnesota election law and the instructions delivered. The Clerk shall set the amount of the bond, letter of credit or certified check in an amount equal to the value of the purchase.

9. The Board shall appoint election judges and alternates in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 204B.21. The appointments will be made at least twenty-five (25) days before the special election.

10. The special election shall be held and the returns made and canvassed in the manner prescribed by law and the Board shall meet on a date between the third day, November 10, 2017, and the tenth day, November 17, 2017, after the special election for the purpose of canvassing the results thereof.

11. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.17, Subdivision 9(f) and Section 205A.07, Subdivision 3a, the Clerk is hereby instructed to notify the Commissioner of Education of the results of the special election and to provide the certified vote totals for the ballot questions in written form within fifteen (15) days after the results have been certified by the Board.

Upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

and the following voted against the same:

whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.