## EVERGREEN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 114 CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON

## RESOLUTION NO. 6578 THREE-YEAR SCHOOL PROGRAM RENEWAL LEVY

WHEREAS, the money in and to be paid into the General Fund of Evergreen School District No. 114, Clark County, Washington (the "District") during the 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025, and 2025-2026 school years will be insufficient to enable the District to take care of all of its necessary financial obligations and to properly meet the educational needs of students attending District schools; and

WHEREAS, in 2017 the Washington State Legislature passed the Basic Education Funding Act (Laws of 2017, 3d Spec. Sess., ch. 13), which makes changes to education funding in the state, including re-designating maintenance and operations levies as "enrichment levies" (hereinafter "educational programs and operations levies"), placing limits on levied amounts and directing the deposit of taxes levied commencing in 2022 to a sub-fund of the General Fund; and

WHEREAS, in order to provide for such financial obligations and educational needs, it is deemed necessary that additional taxes in the amounts set forth herein be levied for the District's General Fund for three years upon all of the taxable property within the District; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington require that the question of whether or not such excess taxes may be levied must be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for their ratification or rejection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of Evergreen School District No. 114, Clark County, Washington, as follows:

- 1. <u>Declaration of Need</u>. It is hereby found and declared that the welfare of the students and other residents of the District require the District to carry out the plans described herein to pay part of the general expenses of the educational programs and operation of the District.
- 2. <u>Authorization of Levies</u>. In order to provide funds for the educational programs and operation of the District as described in Section 3 below, the following taxes for the District's General Fund should be levied upon all of the taxable property within the District in excess of the maximum annual tax levy permitted by law to be levied for the District without a vote of the electors:

Levy Year	Collection Year	Estimated Levy Rate*	Levy Amount
2022	2023	\$1.92	\$48,500,000
2023	2024	\$2.12	\$56,900,000
2024	2025	\$2.12	\$59,700,000

<sup>\*</sup> Estimated levy rate per \$1,000 of assessed valuation (based on 100% of true and fair value)

The excess taxes identified above replace the expiring educational programs and operations levies that were previously authorized by the voters of the District.

The exact levy rate and the actual amounts to be collected shall be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the property within the District at the time of the levy and the legal limit on the levy rate and levy amount applicable at the time of the levy.

- 3. <u>Voter approval: Use of Levy Funds</u>. Upon approval by the District's voters of the ballot proposition described in Section 4 below, the District may use the proceeds of the levies to pay such part of the general expenses of the educational programs and operation of the District as may be authorized or allowed by law for the use of excess levy funds, and to repay warrants or other lawful indebtedness incurred to defray such educational programs and operation expenses.
- 4. Declaration of Emergency: Election. It is hereby found and declared that an emergency exists requiring the submission of the proposition of whether or not such excess taxes should be levied for ratification or rejection by the qualified electors of the District, at a special election to be held on February 8, 2022. The Clark County Auditor as ex officio supervisor of elections in said county is hereby requested to also find the existence of such emergency and to call and conduct the special election to be held within the District on said date and to submit to the qualified electors of the District the proposition set forth below. The Secretary of the Board of Directors is hereby authorized and directed to certify the proposition in the following form:

## EVERGREEN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 114 PROPOSITION NO.5 REPLACEMENT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND OPERATIONS LEVY

The Board of Directors of Evergreen School District No. 114 adopted Resolution No. 6578 concerning renewal of an expiring levy for educational programs and operations. This proposition provides funding for educational programs and operations expenses not funded by the State. If approved, Proposition NO.5 will authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, on all taxable property within the District, as provided in Resolution No. 6578.

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	Estimated Levy Rate				
Collection Year	Per \$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount			
2023	\$1.92	\$48,500,000			
2024	\$2.12	\$56,900,000			
2025	\$2.12	\$59,700,000			
Should this levy proposition be approved?					
LEVY, YES					
LEVY, NO					

Notices Relating to Ballot Title. For purposes of receiving notice of the exact language of the ballot title required by RCW 29A.36.080, the Board hereby designates the (a) Chief Financial Officer, Jennifer Jacobson, email: Jennifer.jacobson@evergreenps.org; and (b) bond counsel, Pacifica Law Group LLP (Faith Pettis), telephone: (206) 245-1700, email: faith.pettis@pacificalawgroup.com as the individuals to whom the Clark County Auditor shall provide any such notice. The Secretary of the Board is authorized to present a certified copy of this resolution to the Clark County Auditor and to approve changes to the ballot title, if any, deemed necessary by the Clark County Auditor or the Clark County Prosecuting Attorney.

**ADOPTED** by the Board of Directors of Evergreen School District No. 114, Clark County, Washington, at a regular open public meeting thereof held Tuesday, November 9, 2021, the

following Directors being present and voting therefor.

EVERGREEN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 114

CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Roard of Directors

## **CERTIFICATION**

I, Mike Merlino, Superintendent and Secretary of the Board of Directors of Evergreen School District No. 114, Clark County, Washington, do hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 6578 of such Board of Directors duly adopted at a regular meeting thereof held Tuesday, November 9, 2021.

Secretary, Board of Directors