ORDER AND NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION FOR RENEWAL OF ADDITIONAL SCHOOL LEVY TO THE VOTERS OF MCDOWELL COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

TAKE NOTICE

That, at a regular meeting of the Board of Education of the County of McDowell, State of West Virginia, held on the 5th day of November, 2018, the following order was made and entered of record, to-wit:

The Board of Education of the County of McDowell, being of the opinion that the levies for current expenses authorized by Article 8, Chapter 11 of the Code of West Virginia, as last amended, will not provide sufficient funds for the payment of the current expenses of the Board of Education of the County of McDowell including expenditures for the purpose hereinafter set forth, and that an election should be held to renew such levies under the provisions of Section 16, Article 8, Chapter 11 of the Code, as amended, it is hereby ordered:

- 1. That the purpose for which funds are needed in order to maintain and improve the instructional programs and the operation of the school services in the McDowell County School System is as follows:
 - A. To continue the supplement to the state's minimum salary of each teacher, principal, and supervisor in the amount of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) per month plus the required Social Security payments and other required fringe benefits, being an approximate amount of \$990,000 per year, or an approximate total for five years of \$4,950,000.
 - B. To continue the supplement to the state's minimum salary of each

regularly employed full-time service personnel in the amount of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) per month plus the required Social Security payments and other fringe benefits, being an approximate amount of \$486,000 per year, or an approximate total for five years of \$2,430,000.

- C. To maintain, improve, or correct environmental and/or structural factors for all schools and grounds to ensure adequate protection against fire hazards, health hazards, to provide a School Resource Officer at each high school, and to provide a safe atmosphere conducive to good learning in the approximate amount of \$1,500,000 per year, or an approximate total for five years of \$7,500,000.
- D. To provide for other costs including utilities or other public services, and payment of annual amounts due for the energy savings contract, as needed in the school system in the approximate amount of \$1,400,000 per year, or an approximate total for five years of \$7,000,000.
- E. To provide for the operation of secondary and / or vocational extended year programs, as determined by student need and enrollment, in the approximate amount of \$15,000 per year, or an approximate total for five years of \$75,000.
- F. To provide instructional materials, supplies, equipment, furniture, textbooks, technology equipment and software, and for the maintenance of technology equipment, as may be determined by the Board of Education in

- the approximate amount of \$688,800.00, per year, or an approximate total for five years of \$3,444,000.
- G. To assist the McDowell County Public Library in the amount of \$35,000 per year, or an approximate total for five years of \$175,000 and to assist the War Public Library in the amount of \$10,000 per year, or an approximate total for five years of \$50,000.
- H. To provide funding for construction/capital improvements including for new schools, such as technology infrastructure and telephone systems in the approximate amount of \$100,000 per year or an year, or an approximate total for five years of \$500,000.
- I. To provide funding to assist schools with costs related to participating in West Virginia Secondary Schools Activities Commission (WVSSAC) athletic and band activities to be awarded upon approval of each school's plan in the approximate amount of \$55,000 per year, or an approximate total for five years of \$275,000.
- J. To provide funding for the McDowell County WVU Extension Office to provide educational programs and 4-H for the students of McDowell County in the approximate amount of \$32,200 per year, or an approximate total of for five years of \$161,000.
- That the approximate amount for said purpose, after making due allowance for discounts, delinquencies and exonerations, is \$5,312,000 annually and the total approximate amount for five years of \$26,560,000.

- 3. The Board may, at its discretion, increase or decrease any item if the total taxable property in the McDowell County School District increases or decreases, and any surplus money remaining from the levy at the end of each fiscal year of the levy may be used by the Board of Education for any school purpose.
- 4. That the separate and aggregate assessed valuation of each class of taxable property within the McDowell County School District for the last preceding assessment year is as follows:

Class I	-0-
Class II	47,636,414
Class III	536,421,587
Class IV	82,414,338
Aggregate	666,472,339

That the proposed renewal rate of levy in cents on each class of propertyis as follows:

Class I	22.95 cents	-0-
Class II	45.90 cents	213,324
Class III	91.80 cents	4,344,848
Class IV	91.80 cents	753,735

- Provided, however, that the Board reserves unto itself, as the levying body, the right and authority to reduce the levy rates if it deems necessary.
- 6. That the proposed years to which the renewal levy shall apply are the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2019; July 1, 2020; July 1, 2021; July 1, 2022; and July 1, 2023.
- 7. That the Board of Education will not issue bonds under the provisions of Section 16, Article 8, Chapter 11 of the Code of West Virginia, as last amended, upon approval of the proposed renewal of levy, obligating the proceeds of said levy.
- 8. That the question of such renewal of additional levy shall be submitted to a vote at a special election, to be held on the 16th day of February, 2019.
- 9. That absentee ballots shall be applied for, obtained from and returned to the Clerk of McDowell County as in the case of primary or general elections and said Clerk is hereby appointed the Agent of the Board of Education to perform all duties related to absentee ballots or other ballots regarding this election.
- 10. That notice calling such election shall be given by the publication of this order once each week for two successive weeks within 14 consecutive days next preceding the day of said election in the Welch News of general circulation in the McDowell County School District. All the provisions of the laws concerning general elections shall apply as far as they are practical to this election.
- 11. That the registration of voters and the use of registration books shall be governed by the Permanent Registration Law of the State of West Virginia, and the Board of Education of the County of McDowell does hereby adopt the registration lists of McDowell County as amended and corrected according to law, as the official

registration lists of said McDowell County School District for such special election.

12. That the ballot to be used at such election shall be in the form as follows:

OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF MCDOWELL COUNTY

ADDITIONAL LEVY ELECTION

FEBRUARY 16, 2019

Special election to authorize renewal of additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2019; July 1, 2020; July 1, 2021; July 1, 2022; and July 1, 2023.

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All according to the order of The Board of Education of the County of McDowell, entered on the 5th day of November, 2018.

The renewal of the additional levies on each \$100 of assessed valuation, shall be on Class I Property—22.95 cents; on CLASS II Property—45.90 cents; on CLASS III Property—91.80 cents; and on CLASS IV Property—91.80 cents.

FOR THE LEVIES	AGAINST THE LEVIES
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INSTRUCTIONS

Those favoring the additional levies, place an "X" in the square before "FOR THE LEVIES," and those against the renewal of such levies, place an "X" in the square before "AGAINST THE LEVIES."

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Attest:

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