NOTICE OF ELECTION TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL LEVIES FOR THE FISCAL YEARS BEGINNING JULY 1, 2022, JULY 1, 2023, JULY 1, 2024, JULY 1, 2025 AND JULY 1, 2026 FOR SALARIES AND GENERAL CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE NON-CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

FOR THE MONONGALIA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT, STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA:

I, Dr. Eddie R. Campbell, Jr., Secretary of The Board of Education of the County of Monongalia, do hereby certify that at a meeting held on the 13th day of July, 2021, of The Board of Education of the County of Monongalia, governing body of the Monongalia County School District, of which meeting notice thereof was duly given to all members according to law, an order was made and entered of record in words and figures as follows:

AN ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE COUNTY OF MONONGALIA. DIRECTING AN ELECTION TO BE HELD FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO THE VOTERS OF MONONGALIA COUNTY ALL OUESTIONS CONNECTED WITH THE IMPOSITION OF ADDITIONAL LEVIES TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT FUNDS FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE GENERAL CURRENT EXPENSES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, PROVIDING SUFFICIENT FUNDS TO MAINTAIN SALARIES OF TEACHERS AND OTHER EMPLOYEES OF SAID BOARD; REPAIR, MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, **SCHOOL** BUILDINGS, **FACILITIES** EQUIPMENT; PURCHASE OF TEXT BOOKS, LIBRARY BOOKS, AND INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT; AND TO PROVIDE FOR SCHOOL BUSES AND TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS.

After full consideration thereof, The Board of Education of the County of Monongalia, being of the opinion that the maximum levies for current expenses authorized by Article 8, Chapter 11 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, will not provide sufficient funds for the payment of the general current expenses of non-charter public schools in Monongalia County, including expenditures for the purposes hereinafter stated, during the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2022, July 1, 2023, July 1, 2024, July 1, 2025 and July 1, 2026,

and having ascertained the amounts hereinafter shown in excess of the amounts raised by regular levies will be needed by The Board of Education of the County of Monongalia during each of the said five (5) fiscal years and that an election should be held to authorize such additional levies, in conformity with law, it is hereby ORDERED and DECLARED:

The purposes for which additional funds are needed are: instructional 1. materials, supplies, services, textbooks, equipment, physical education and duplication services; equipment, supplies and services in accordance with the Monongalia County technology plan; library/media center books, supplies, equipment and services; materials, equipment, supplies and services for programs in general, instrumental and vocal music, art and drama; math/science supplies, equipment and services for classrooms and laboratories; supplies, services and equipment to supplement the Monongalia County Technical Education Center programs; supplies, services and equipment to supplement pupil services, community schools, after school programs, summer programs, Law Enforcement, alternative education and health services; extracurricular activities including, but not limited to, recreation programs, athletics and athletic coaches, academic programs and services and upgrade athletic facilities and playgrounds; salary, supplies and travel for County 4-H program support; supplement the student services provided by the Monongalia County Public Libraries; repair, maintenance, additions and improvements to buildings, facilities and equipment and to meet existing local, state and federal regulations and codes including, but not limited to, fire marshal, health department, Department of Environmental Protection and Americans with Disabilities Act; supplement professional and service personnel salaries and benefits, staff to address enrollment increases, elective programs grades 9-12, and for nonfunded professional and service personnel mandates; materials, supplies, services, security and equipment for the operation of facilities; and pupil transportation services including, but not limited to, the acquisition, operation, maintenance and repair of school buses.

2. The amounts considered necessary for each of said purposes in said five (5) fiscal years are as follows: instructional materials, supplies, services, textbooks, equipment, physical education, and duplication services, approximately \$ 1,500,000 annually; equipment, supplies and services in accordance with the Monongalia County technology plan, approximately \$1,250,000 annually; library/media center books, supplies, equipment and services, approximately \$175,000 annually; materials, equipment, supplies and services for programs in general, instrumental and vocal music, art and drama, approximately \$250,000 annually; math/science supplies, equipment and services for classrooms and laboratories, approximately \$145,000 annually; supplies, services and equipment to supplement the Monongalia County Technical Education Center programs, approximately \$100,000 annually; supplies, services and equipment to supplement pupil services, community schools, after school programs, summer programs, Law Enforcement, alternative education and health services, approximately \$1,500,000 annually; extracurricular activities including, but not limited to, recreation programs, athletics and athletic coaches, academic programs and services and upgrade athletic facilities and playgrounds, approximately \$1,250,000 annually; salary, supplies and travel for County 4-H program support, approximately \$40,000 annually; supplement the student services provided by the Monongalia County Public Libraries, approximately \$80,000 annually; repair, maintenance, additions and improvements to buildings, facilities and equipment and to meet existing local, state and federal regulations and codes including, but not limited to, fire marshal, health department, Department of Environmental Protection and Americans with Disabilities Act, approximately \$2,500,000 annually; supplement professional and service personnel salaries and benefits, staff to address enrollment increases, elective programs grades 9-12, for non-funded professional and service personnel mandates, approximately \$20,432,784 annually; materials, supplies, services, security and equipment for the operation of facilities, approximately

\$2,000,000 annually; and pupil transportation services including, but not limited to, the acquisition, operation, maintenance and repair of school buses, approximately \$600,000 annually.

If for any reason all of the funds hereinabove allocated for any one of the above enumerated purposes is not used for such purpose in any of such five (5) fiscal years, the unused portion of such funds may be allocated by The Board of Education of the County of Monongalia, in its discretion, and expended for any one or more of the remaining purposes. No excess levy funds shall be allocated to public charter schools.

- 3. The total amount necessary to provide for the above purposes for each fiscal year, after making reasonable amounts for uncollected taxes and shrinkage, is approximately \$31,822,784.
- 4. The separate and aggregate assessed valuation of each class of taxable property within the Monongalia County School District for the assessment year 2021 is as follows:

Class I	\$ 0
Class II	\$ 2,810,913,822
Class III	\$ 2,460,373,818
Class IV	\$ 1,235,854,784
TOTAL:	\$ 6,507,142,424

5. The proposed additional rate of levy in cents on each class of property within the Monongalia County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2022, July 1, 2023 July 1, 2024, July 1, 2025 and July 1, 2026 is as follows:

Class I	16.75 cents
Class II	33.50 cents
Class III	67.00 cents
Class IV	67.00 cents

Whenever, in any of said five (5) fiscal years any annual appraisal or general valuation of property produces property assessments that would cause an increase in the total property tax revenues that would be realized by the imposition of the foregoing levy rates, and which increase in property tax revenues would exceed the projected needed revenue for that year, The Board of Education of the County of Monongalia reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce such excess levy rates in such year in accordance with the provisions of Section 6g, Article 8, Chapter 11 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended. Nothing herein shall affect any special levy or levies for the retirement of bonded indebtedness.

Additional assessments due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources, and newly acquired personal property shall not be included in determining whether to reduce excess levy rates or in calculating the new levy rates for any such fiscal year.

6. The years to which the additional levy rates shall apply, if authorized by the voters, are the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2022, July 1, 2023, July 1, 2024, July 1, 2025 and July 1, 2026.

- 7. The question of such additional levies shall be submitted to a vote in the Monongalia County School District, which embraces Monongalia County, West Virginia, at a special election to be held in said county on the 25th day of September 2021.
- 8. If at least a majority of the voters of the election to be held on September 25, 2021, approve the proposed additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2022, July 1, 2023, July 1, 2024, July 1, 2025 and July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Monongalia will not issue bonds as provided by Section 16, Article 8, Chapter 11 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended.
- 9. Notice of said Election to Authorize Additional Levies shall be given by publication of notice thereof at least once each week for two (2) successive weeks within fourteen (14) days preceding the election in the Dominion Post, a newspaper of general circulation in Monongalia County School District.
- 10. The Board of Education of the County of Monongalia shall determine the number of election officials necessary to properly conduct said election, which number shall in no case be less than three commissioners and two clerks, and shall appoint the same and fix and pay their compensation. The Secretary of The Board of Education of the County of Monongalia is hereby authorized and directed to acquire and to furnish to election officials all proper election supplies, attend to the publication of the relevant parts of this order, and to do all things necessary to present the questions proposed by this order to the voters in the Monongalia County School District at said special election.

- 11. In the event that The Board of Education of the County of Monongalia shall obtain money by grant or otherwise from the State or Federal Government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, including, but not limited to, additional assessments due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources, and newly acquired personal property, for any of the above purposes in any of said fiscal years, such additional money may be used either in substitution for or in addition to the funds received from said additional levies.
- 12. The separate official ballot to be used in the election herein provided shall be in form as follows:

OFFICIAL BALLOT

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE COUNTY OF MONONGALIA ELECTION TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL LEVIES

September 25, 2021

Special election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2022, July 1, 2023, July 1, 2024, July 1, 2025 and July 1, 2026, in the amount of approximately \$31,822,784 annually for non-charter public schools for the following purposes:

- instructional materials, supplies, services, textbooks, equipment, physical education, and duplication services, approximately \$1,500,000 annually;
- equipment, supplies and services in accordance with the Monongalia County technology plan, approximately \$1,250,000 annually;
- library/media center books, supplies, equipment and services, approximately \$175,000 annually;
- materials, equipment, supplies and services for programs in general, instrumental and vocal music, art and drama, approximately \$250,000 annually;
- math/science supplies, equipment and services for classrooms and laboratories, approximately \$145,000 annually;
- supplies, services and equipment to supplement the Monongalia County Technical Education Center programs, approximately \$100,000 annually;
- supplies, services and equipment to supplement pupil services, community schools, after school programs, summer programs, Law Enforcement, alternative education and health services, approximately \$1,500,000 annually;
- extracurricular activities including, but not limited to, recreation programs, athletics and athletic coaches, academic programs and services, and upgrade athletic facilities and playgrounds, approximately \$1,250,000 annually;
- salary, supplies and travel for County 4-H program support, approximately \$40,000 annually;

- supplement the student services provided by the Monongalia County Public Libraries, approximately \$80,000 annually;
- repair, maintenance, additions and improvements to buildings, facilities and equipment and to meet existing local, state and federal regulations and codes including, but not limited to, fire marshal, health department, Department of Environmental Protection and Americans with Disabilities Act, approximately \$2,500,000 annually;
- supplement professional and service personnel salaries and benefits, staff to address enrollment increases, an elective program grades 9-12, and for nonfunded professional and service personnel mandates, approximately \$20,432,784 annually;
- materials, supplies, services, security and equipment for the operation of facilities, approximately \$2,000,000 annually;
- pupil transportation services including, but not limited to, the acquisition, operation, maintenance and repair of school buses, approximately \$600,000 annually.

If for any reason all of the funds hereinabove allocated for any one of the above enumerated purposes is not used for such purpose in any of such fiscal years, the unused portion of such funds may be allocated by The Board of Education of the County of Monongalia, in its discretion, and expended for any one or more of the other remaining purposes. No excess levy funds shall be allocated to public charter schools.

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Monongalia shall obtain money by grant or otherwise from the State or Federal Government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source including, but not limited to, additional assessments due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources, and newly acquired personal property, for any of the above purposes in any of said fiscal years, such additional money may be used either in substitution for or in addition to the funds received from such additional levies.

The additional levies shall be on Class I property, 16.75 cents; on Class II property, 33.50 cents; on Class III property, 67.00 cents; and on Class IV property, 67.00 cents.

Whenever, in any of said five (5) fiscal years any annual appraisal or general valuation of property produces property assessments that would cause an increase in the total property tax revenues that would be realized by the imposition of the foregoing levy rates, and which increase in property tax revenues would exceed the projected needed revenue for that year,

The Board of Education of the County of Monongalia reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce such additional levy rates in such fiscal year in accordance with the provisions of Section 6g, Article 8, Chapter 11 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended. Nothing herein shall affect any special levy or levies for the retirement of bonded indebtedness.

Additional assessments due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources, and newly acquired personal property shall not be included in determining whether to reduce excess levy rates for any such fiscal year.

All according to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Monongalia entered on the 13th day of July, 2021.

FOR THE LEVIES	
GAINST THE LEVIES	

INSTRUCTIONS

Those favoring the additional levies, place an "X" in the square after "For the Levies"; those against such levies, place an "X" in the square after "Against the Levies."

Given under our hands this 13th day of July, 2021.

Dr. Eddie R. Campbell, Secretary of The Board of Education of the County of Monongalia

Nancy A Walker, President of The Board of Education of the County of Monongalia