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NEWPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 56 PROPOSITION NO. 1 – REPLACEMENT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND OPERATION

The Board of Directors of Newport Consolidated Joint School District NO. 26-056 adopted Resolution No. 02-2022-2023 concerning a proposition to maintain current educational programs and operation. The proposition would authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, in place of an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, for support of the District's General Fund educational Programs and operation expenses:

Collection Year Estimated Levy Rate/\$1,000 **Levy Amount** Assessed Value \$2,152,933.00 \$2,256,695.00 \$2,329,392.00 2024 2025 2026



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As provided in Resolution 02-2022-2023. Should this proposition be approved? Levy Yes Levy No

Explanatory Statement
This proposition authorizes Newport School District to replace an expiring educational programs and operation levy. The taxes collected by this replacement levy will pay expenses of educational programs and operation that are not fully funded by the State of Washington, including all extra-curricular activities, campus security, school nurse, technology, advanced opportunities for students and to maintain and update facilities. Further information is available on the District's website newportgriz.com. Taxes collected by the proposed levy will provide approximately 8.5% of the District's General Fund budget. Exemptions from taxes may be available, call Pend Oreille County Assessor at (509) 447-4312.

Argument For

Newport School District is asking the voters to support an Education, Programs and Operations Levy on February 14, 2023 and I urge you to join me and vote "yes" in support of this levy.

As a proud teacher of the NSD for 38 years, I know first-hand that the levy maintains the exceptional educational and extra-curricular programs currently offered in our community. This levy is not a new levy, but replaces the current levy which maintains current programs, supports facility improvements, and enhances opportunities offered to our children. Supplemental levies are necessary to support well rounded programs for the children of our community and gives the district the ability to maintain and offer our students crucial programs and support not funded by the state.

This levy will cost the taxpayers \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value, which is the same levy rate approved during the prior levy election. Washington State has 295 school districts and, of those districts, 289 have some form of levy to enhance school programs. Also, all supplemental levy dollars are locally funded and funds stay in our community and help make Newport stronger. We have great schools and a great community. Vote yes to support our school community! Thank you for your support.

Pamela Nichols

Retired Newport School District Educator, President Newport Alumni Association (509) 951-4465

Argument Against - None Submitted

FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2 PROPOSITION NO. 1 – PERMANENT LID LIFT LEVY TO FUND FIRE OPERATION

The Board of Commissioners of Pend Oreille County Fire District No. 2 adopted Resolution 22-10 concerning an increase to its regular property tax levy. This proposition authorizes the District to increase its regular property tax levy to \$1.00 per \$1,000 of assessed value for collection in 2024. The funds will maintain normal operations and increase staffing of district stations. The maximum allowable levy in 2024 shall serve as the base for subsequent levy limitations as provided by chapter 84.55 RCW. Approved Rejected

Explanatory StatementWritten by Pend Oreille County Fire District 2, Revised by Dolly N. Hunt, Prosecuting Attorney

The elected Board of Commissioners of Pend Oreille County Fire District 2 has passed a resolution requesting an election to authorize a permanent levy lid lift to fund continued fire operations and to maintain staffing at current levels. If approved by the voters, this measure would provide sufficient full-time, part time and paid on-duty staff. Sufficient staffing reduces response times and saves lives. Without this levy approval, the district would not be able to maintain its current level of service.

If approved, this tax will increase the district's regular property tax levy to \$1.00 per \$1,000 of assessed value for collection in 2024. The 2024 levy amount will be used to calculate subsequent levy limits.

Argument For - None Submitted **Argument Against - None Submitted**

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CUSICK SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 59 PROPOSITION NO. 1 – REPLACEMENT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS & OPERATION LEVY

The Board of Directors of Cusick School District No. 59 adopted Resolution No. 2022/2023 #1, concerning a proposition to finance educational programs and operation expenses. This proposition would authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, replacing an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, for educational programs and operation expenses not funded by the State:

Collection Year Estimated Levy Rate/\$1,000 **Levy Amount** Assessed Value \$495,000 2025 2026 \$495,000 \$495,000

all as provided in Resolution No. 2022/2023-1 and subject to legal limits on levy rates and amounts at the time of levy. Should this proposition be approved?

Levy Yes Levy No

Explanatory Statement

Passage of Proposition No. 1 would allow Cusick School District to replace an expiring educational programs and operation levy. The taxes collected by this replacement levy will be used to pay for expenses of educational programs and operation that are not fully funded by the State of Washington. These expenses include, but are not limited to: nutrition service, maintenance, counselors, safety, transportation, technology, traffic safety, curriculum, athletics, extracurricular activities. Further information is available at the District's website https://www.cusick.wednet.edu/.

The proposed three-year replacement levy would authorize the collection of taxes to provide up to \$495,000 each year from 2024 through and including 2026. The tax levy rate required to produce these levy amounts is estimated to be \$1.49 in 2024 \$1.46 in 2025 and \$1.43 in 2026 (estimated levy rate per \$1,000 of assessed value). The exact tax levy rate and amounts to be collected may be adjusted based upon the limitations imposed by State law at the time of the tax levy. Exemptions from taxes may be available, call Pend Oreille County Assessor at (509) 447-4312.

Argument For - None Submitted **Argument Against - None Submitted**

SELKIRK SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 59 PROPOSITION NO. 1 – REPLACEMENT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS & OPERATION LEVY

The Board of Directors of Selkirk School District No. 70 adopted Resolution No. 22-23/01, concerning a proposition to finance educational programs and operation expenses. This proposition would authorize the District to meet the educational needs of its students by levying the following excess taxes, in place of an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, for support of the District's educational programs and operation expenses not funded by the State of Washington:

Collection Year Estimated Levy Rate/\$1,000 **Levy Amount** Assessed Value \$720,000 2025 \$730,000 \$745,000 2026

all as provided in Resolution No. 22-23/01. Should this proposition be approved? Levy Yes Levy No

Explanatory StatementPassage of Proposition No. 1 would allow Selkirk School District to replace an expiring educational programs and operation levy. The taxes collected by this replacement levy will be used to pay for expenses of educational programs and operation that are not fully funded by the State of Washington. These expenses include, but are not limited to: special education, nurses, food service, safety, maintenance, technology, athletics, and extracurricular activities. Further information is available at the District's website https://www.selkirkschools.org/

The proposed three-year replacement levy would authorize the collection of taxes to provide up to \$720,000 in 2024, \$730,000 in 2025 and \$745,000 in 2026. The rate required to produce these levy amounts in 2024 through 2026 is estimated to be \$2.25 per \$1,000 of assessed value (the current rate for 2023 was estimated to be \$2.28). The exact tax levy rate and amounts to be collected may be adjusted based upon the limitations imposed by State law at the time of the tax levy. Exemptions from taxes may be available, call Pend Oreille County Assessor at (509) 447-4312.

Argument For - None Submitted Argument Against - None Submitted