CERTIFICATE FOR ORDER

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTIES OF HARRIS & GALVESTON CLEAR CREEK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DI	\$ \$ STRICT \$	
We, the undersigned officers of the Bo Independent School District (the "District"), here	pard of Trustees (the "Board") of Clear Creek by certify as follows:	
1. The Board of the District convener regular meeting place thereof, within the District officers and members of the Board, to-wit:	ed in a regular meeting on August 21, 2023 at the t, and the roll was called off the duly constituted	
Arturo Sanchez	President	
Jonathan Cottrell	Vice President	
Jay Cunningham	Secretary	
Scott Bowen	Member	
Jessica Cejka	Member	
Jeff Larson	Member	
Jamieson Mackay	Member	
and all of such persons were present, except Whereupon, among other business, the following	thus constituting a quorum. was transacted at such meeting: a written	
ORDER CALLING VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE ELECTION		
was duly introduced for the consideration of such that such order be adopted; and, after due discuss such order, prevailed and carried by the following	ion, such motion, carrying with it the adoption of g vote:	
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2. That a true, full and correct copy described in the above and foregoing paragraph is order has been duly recorded in the Board's minu paragraph is a true, full and correct excerpt from to the adoption of such order; that the persons nar	tes of such meeting; that the above and foregoing the Board's minutes of such meeting pertaining	

duly chosen, qualified and acting officers and members of the Board as indicated therein; that each of the officers and members of the Board was duly and sufficiently notified officially and personally, in advance, of the date, hour, place and purpose of the aforesaid meeting, and that the order would be introduced and considered for adoption at such meeting, and each of such officers and members consented, in advance, to the holding of such meeting for such purpose; that such meeting was open to the public as required by law; and that public notice of the date, hour, place and subject of such meeting was given as required by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as

amended.

SIGNED AND SEALED this August 21, 2023.

President Board of Trustees Clean Creek Independent School District

Secretary, Board of Trustees

Clear Creek Independent School District

(SEAL)

ORDER CALLING VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE ELECTION

STATE OF TEXAS	§
COUNTIES OF HARRIS & GALVESTON	§
CLEAR CREEK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT	§

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the Clear Creek Independent School District (the "District") has adopted the District's tax rate for the current year (the "Adopted Tax Rate"); and

WHEREAS, Section 26.08(a), Texas Tax Code provides that if the Adopted Tax Rate exceeds the District's voter-approval tax rate (as described in Section 26.08(n), Texas Tax Code), the registered voters of the District must determine whether to approve the Adopted Tax Rate at an election held for that purpose; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the requirements of Section 26.08, Texas Tax Code, the Board determines that it is necessary and appropriate to call an election to ratify the Adopted Tax Rate (the "Election"); and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that ratification of the Adopted Tax Rate at the Election and the levy thereof would maximize state funding to the District under current funding formulas; and

WHEREAS, the District intends to enter into one or more election agreements (the "Election Agreements") with Harris County, Texas ("Harris County"), and Galveston County, Texas ("Galveston County" and together with Harris County and Galveston County, the "Counties") by and through the Election Administrators of the respective counties (the "Election Administrator"), in accordance with the law of the State of Texas (the "State") and applicable Federal Law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CLEAR CREEK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Section 1. Call of Election; Date; Eligible Electors; and Hours. An election (the "Election") shall be held on November 7, 2023 ("Election Day"), which is seventy-eight (78) or more days from the date of the adoption of this order (the "Election Order"), within and throughout the territory of the District at which all resident, qualified electors of the District shall be entitled to vote. The Board hereby finds that holding the Election on such date is in the public interest. The hours during which the polling places are to be open on Election Day shall be from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Section 2. Voting Precincts; Polling Places: Election Administrator and Officers. Except as otherwise may be provided herein, the boundaries and territories of the election precincts of the Counties that are wholly or partially within the territorial boundaries of the District are hereby designated as the voting precincts of the District for the Election and the precinct numbers for the District's election precincts shall be the corresponding County precinct number of each precinct. The Election Day polling places shall be as shown in Exhibit A to this Election Order. The precinct judges and alternate judges for the Election shall be appointed in accordance with the Texas Election Code (the "Election Code"). A complete list of Galveston County election day

voting locations can be found online at <u>galvestonvotes.org</u> and a complete list of Harris County election day voting locations can be found online at <u>harrisvotes.com</u>.

In the event that the Superintendent, or her designee, shall determine from time to time that (a) a polling place hereafter designated shall become unavailable or unsuitable for such use, or it would be in the District's best interests to relocate such polling place, or (b) a presiding judge or alternate presiding judge hereafter designated shall become unqualified or unavailable, the Superintendent, or her designee, is hereby authorized to designate and appoint in writing a substitute polling place, presiding judge or alternate presiding judge, and correct or modify the exhibits to this Election Order, giving such notice as is required by the Election Code and as deemed sufficient.

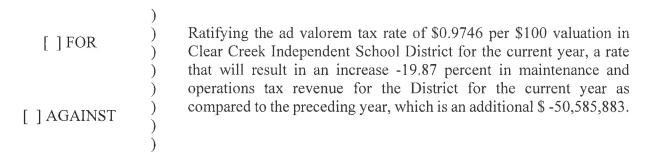
<u>Section 3.</u> <u>Proposition.</u> At the Election there shall be submitted to the resident, qualified electors of the District the following proposition (the "Proposition"):

CLEAR CREEK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT - PROPOSITION A

Ratifying the ad valorem tax rate of \$0.9746 per \$100 valuation in Clear Creek Independent School District for the current year, a rate that will result in an increase of -19.87 percent in maintenance and operations tax revenue for the District for the current year as compared to the preceding year, which is an additional \$-50,585,883.

<u>Section 4.</u> <u>Ballot.</u> The ballots shall conform to the requirements of the Election Code and shall have written or printed thereon he following:

CLEAR CREEK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT- PROPOSITION A



Section 5. Voting. Electronic voting machines may be used in holding and conducting the Election on Election Day; provided, however, in the event the use of such electronic voting machines is not practicable, the Election may be conducted on Election Day by the use of paper ballots (except as otherwise provided in this section). Electronic voting machines or paper ballots may be used for early voting by personal appearance (except as otherwise provided in this section). As required by the Election Code, the District shall provide at least one accessible voting system in each polling place used in the Election. Such voting system shall comply with Texas and federal laws establishing the requirement for voting systems that permit voters with physical disabilities to cast a secret ballot. Paper ballots may be used for early voting by mail.

Each voter desiring to vote in favor of the Proposition shall mark the ballot indicating "FOR" such Proposition, and each voter desiring to vote against the Proposition shall mark the ballot indicating "AGAINST" such Proposition. Voting will be conducted in accordance with the Election Code.

<u>Section 6.</u> <u>Early Voting</u>. The Board hereby appoints the Election Administrators as the regular early voting clerks for the District. Early voting, both by personal appearance and by mail, will be conducted in accordance with the Election Code.

Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted at the locations, on the dates and at the times as shown in Exhibit B. Early voting by personal appearance shall begin on Monday, October 23, 2023 and continue through Friday, November 3, 2023. A complete list of Galveston County early voting locations can be found online at galvestonvotes.org and a complete list of Harris County early voting locations can be found online at harrisvotes.com.

For the use of those voters who are entitled by law to vote early by mail, the early voting clerk shall provide each voter with a ballot with instructions to mark the ballot indicating his or her vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" each Proposition.

Harris County

Harris County Elections Administrator Clifford Tatum is the Early Voting Clerk for Harris County. The Harris County Early Voting Clerk's official mailing address, which shall be used for early voting by mail, applications for ballot by mail, and contact information is as follows:

Applications for Ballot by Mail shall be mailed to:
Attn: Ballots by Mail
Harris County Elections Administrator
P.O. Box 1148
Houston, TX 77251-1148

Street Address: 1001 Preston Street, 4th Floor Houston, Texas 77002

Email: VBM@harrisvotes.com Phone: 713-755-6965 Fax: 713-755-4983 Website: harrisvotes.com

Galveston County

Galveston County Clerk Dwight Sullivan is the Early Voting Clerk for Galveston County. The Galveston County Early Voting Clerk's official mailing address, which shall be used for early voting by mail, applications for ballot by mail, and contact information is as follows:

Applications for Ballot by Mail shall be mailed to:
Attn: Ballots by Mail
C/O Dwight Sullivan
P.O. Box 17253
Galveston, TX 77552-7253

Street Address: The Galveston County Justice Center 600 59th Street Galveston, Texas 77551

Email: absenteeballotapplications@co.galveston.tx.us Phone: 409-770-5108 Fax: 409-765-3160 Website: galvestonvotes.org

Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on Friday, October 27, 2023.

The Election Administrators are hereby authorized and directed to designate the early voting ballot board and other officers required to conduct early voting for the Election.

If an application for ballot by mail is sent by fax or email to Harris County or Galveston County, the original still must be mailed to the mailing address(es) above by the fourth business day. All Election Day and Early Voting polling locations are subject to change by Harris County and Galveston County.

Section 7. Conduct of Election. The Election shall be conducted by the Election Administrator and other election officers, including the precinct judges and alternate judges or clerks appointed by the Board, in accordance with the Election Agreements, Education Code, the Election Code and the Constitution and laws of the State and the United States of America. The President of the Board, the Superintendent, and their respective designees, are authorized to enter into, execute and deliver one or more Election Agreements, in accordance with applicable provisions of the Election Code. The terms and provisions of each Election Agreement are hereby incorporated into this Election Order. To the extent of any conflict between this Election Order and an Election Agreement, the terms and provisions of the Election Agreement shall prevail, and the President of the Board, the Superintendent, and their respective designees, are authorized to make such corrections, changes, revisions and modifications to this Election Order, including the exhibits hereto, as are deemed necessary or appropriate to conform to the Election Agreement, to comply with applicable state and federal law and to carry out the intent of the Board, as evidenced by this Election Order. The Administrator shall be responsible for establishing the central counting station for the ballots cast in the Election and appointing the personnel necessary for such station.

<u>Section 8.</u> <u>Multilingual Election Material</u>. For Galveston County, all notices, instructions, and ballots pertaining to the Election shall be furnished to voters in both English and Spanish and persons capable of acting as translators in both English and Spanish shall be made

available to assist Spanish language speaking voters in understanding and participating in the election process. For Harris County, all notices, instructions, and ballots pertaining to the Election shall be furnished to voters in English, Spanish, Vietnamese and Chinese, and persons capable of acting as translators in English, Spanish, Vietnamese and Chinese shall be made available to assist such language speaking voters in understanding and participating in the election process.

Section 9. Delivery of Voted Ballots; Counting; Tabulation; Canvassing of Returns; Declaring Results. The ballots shall be counted by one or more teams of election officers assigned by the presiding judges, each team to consist of two or more election officers. After completion of his responsibilities under the Election Code, including the counting of the voted ballots and the tabulation of the results, the presiding judge shall make a written return of the Election results to the District in accordance with the Election Code. The Board shall canvass the returns and declare the results of the Election.

If a majority of the resident, qualified electors of the District voting at the Election, including those voting early, shall vote in favor of the Proposition, then the tax rate for the current year shall be the rate adopted by the Board. If the Proposition is not approved, then the Board may not adopt a rate that exceeds the District's voter-approval tax rate.

- <u>Section 10.</u> <u>Training of Election Officials.</u> Pursuant to the Election Code, a public school of instruction for all election officers and clerks may be held as arranged or contracted by the Election Administrator.
- Section 11. Notice of Election; Voter Information Document. Notice of the Election shall be given in the manner required by the Election Code and other applicable law. To the extent required by law, each notice of the Election shall include the District's internet website address, which is https://www.ccisd.net.
- Section 12. Notice of Meeting. The Board officially finds, determines, recites and declares that written notice of the date, hour, place and subject of the meeting at which this Election Order is adopted was posted on a bulletin board located at a place convenient to the public at the District's administrative offices for a least seventy-two (72) hours preceding the scheduled time of the meeting; that a telephonic or telegraphic notice of such meeting was given to all news media who have consented to pay any and all expenses incurred by the District in connection with providing such notice, both as required by the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as amended; and that such meeting was open to the public as required by law at all times during which this Election Order and the subject matter thereof was discussed, considered and formally acted upon.

Section 13. Authority of the Superintendent. The Superintendent shall have the authority to take, or cause to be taken, all reasonable or necessary actions to ensure that the Election is fairly held and returns properly counted and tabulated for canvass by the Board, which actions are hereby ratified and confirmed. Without limiting the generality of the immediately preceding sentence, the Superintendent and her designees are hereby authorized to complete and update, as necessary, the exhibits hereto with the necessary information as same is made available to the District and to make any changes to this Election Order necessary to carry out the intent of this Election Order and the Election.

Section 14. Authorization to Execute. The President or Vice President of the Board is authorized to execute and the Secretary of the Board is authorized to attest this Election Order on behalf of the Board; and the President or Vice President of the Board is authorized to do all other things legal and necessary in connection with the holding and consummation of the Election.

Section 15. Effective Date. This Election Order is effective immediately upon its passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED August 21, 2023-

President, Roard of Trustees

ATTEST:

Secretary, Board of Frustees

(SEAL)

EXHIBIT A

ELECTION DAY POLLING LOCATIONS (Between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.)

[To come from the Counties]

EXHIBIT B

EARLY VOTING POLLING LOCATIONS AND TIMES

[To come from the Counties]