

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, In accordance with Section 211.34d of the Michigan General Property Tax Act, being MCL 211.34d, on July 9, 2024, the Board of Education for the Detroit Public Schools Community District, through a resolution directed to the School District Election Coordinator, the Detroit City Clerk, submitted for certification and placement on the November 5, 2024 General Election ballot, a proposal to increase the operating millage for the School District of the City of Detroit; and

WHEREAS, Section 3-102 of the 2012 Detroit City Charter, *Election Commission*, establishes the Election Commission, which is composed of the City Clerk, the President of the City Council, and the Corporation Counsel; and

WHEREAS, Section 3-103 of the 2012 Detroit City Charter, *Powers and Duties of Election Commission*, provides in relevant part, “[e]xcept as otherwise provided by this Charter or ordinance, the Election Commission shall perform all duties required of Election Commissions by law”; and

WHEREAS, the City Clerk has certified to the Election Commission the ballot language of the resolution adopted by the Board of Education for the Detroit Public Schools Community District on July 9, 2024; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, in accordance with Section 3-105 of the 2012 Detroit City Charter, the Detroit Election Commission certifies the following question for the transmission to the Wayne County Clerk for placement on the November 5, 2024 General Election ballot:

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF
DETROIT COUNTY OF WAYNE
STATE OF MICHIGAN**

PROPOSAL : OPERATING MILLAGE RESTORATION

This proposal would restore and increase the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be levied by the School District of the City of Detroit for general operating purposes by 6.00 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempt by law, which would allow the School District to continue to retire its debt obligations. This authority, if approved and combined with the School District's other unexpired authorization, would allow the School District to continue to levy the statutory limit of 18.00 mills on all property, except

principal residence and other property exempt by law, in the event of future Headlee rollbacks.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed on all property, except principal residence and other property exempt by law, in the School District of the City of Detroit, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, be increased by 6 mills (\$6.00 on each \$1,000 of taxable value) for ten (10) years, the years 2024 to 2033, inclusive, to provide funds for operating expenses of the School District of the City of Detroit? If approved, this millage would raise an estimated \$9,589,365 for the School District in the first year that it is levied.

YES

NO

Approved August 12, 2024

Janice M. Winfrey, Chair

Mary Sheffield, Commissioner

Conrad L. Mallett, Commissioner



**RESOLUTION OF
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
DETROIT PUBLIC SCHOOLS COMMUNITY DISTRICT
PLACEMENT OF AN OPERATING MILLAGE RESTORATION PROPOSAL
FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF DETROIT BEFORE THE
VOTERS OF THE CITY OF DETROIT**

WHEREAS, on June 21, 2016, Public Act 192 of 2016 (“Act 192”) amending the Revised School Code, Act 451, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended (the “Revised School Code”), was enacted with immediate effect; and

WHEREAS, once Act 192 took effect, the School District of the City of Detroit (“DPS”) became a qualifying school district under section 12b of the Code and a community district was created for the same geographic area of DPS to provide public educational services for residents of that geographic area under Part 5B of the Revised School Code, and was named the “Detroit Public Schools Community District”; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education for the Detroit Public Schools Community District (“Board”) was duly elected in November 2016 and took office on January 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Act 192, on July 1, 2016, DPS lost its organization and continues to exist for the limited purpose of repaying its debt obligations; and

WHEREAS, the Board is also responsible for exercising the functions and responsibilities of DPS until its debt is repaid and DPS is fully dissolved, which functions and responsibilities include the certification and levying of taxes for the satisfaction of DPS’s debt and the renewal of DPS’ school operating tax under Section 1211 of the Revised School Code; and

WHEREAS, DPS, as a qualifying district, retains proceeds from taxes levied by or payable to the qualifying district for the repayment of its debt; and

WHEREAS, the authority to levy DPS’s current operating millage of 18 mills on all taxable property, except personal residences and other property exempt by law, was renewed in 2020 for a period of eleven years, 2023 to 2033, inclusive; and

WHEREAS, the current 18 mill operating millage authorization has been rolled back to 16.6032 mills as of 2024 under the Headlee Amendment rollback provisions; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it is necessary and desirable to restore the authority to levy DPS' operating millage back to 18 mills and increase the prior authority in the event of future rollbacks by application of the Headlee Amendment, as described in the Operating Millage Restoration Proposal attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Operating Millage Proposal"); and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and desirable to submit the Operating Millage Proposal to the DPS electors at an election to be held on November 5, 2024 (the "November Election Date"); and

WHEREAS, in order for the Operating Millage Proposal to be submitted to DPS electors on the November General Election, it is necessary for the Board to certify the Operating Millage Proposal to the Detroit City Clerk (the "School District Election Coordinator"), as required by Act 116, Public Acts of Michigan, 1954, as amended, not later than 4:00 p.m. on August 13, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Operating Millage Proposal attached hereto as Exhibit A is hereby certified to the School District Election Coordinator for submission to the DPS electors on the November General Election. The Secretary of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to file this Resolution and/or complete any such forms, certificates or documents as may be required by the School District Election Coordinator to evidence the foregoing certification and/or submission by no later than 4:00 p.m. on August 13, 2024.


2. The School District Election Coordinator is hereby authorized and directed to: (a) post and publish notice of last day of registration and notice of election for the November General Election; and (b) have prepared and printed ballots for submitting the Operating Millage Proposal at the November General Election, which ballots shall be in the form appearing in Exhibit A, or the Operating Millage Proposal shall be stated as a proposal on the voting machines, which ballots may include other matters presented to the electorate on the same date.

3. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this Resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a Resolution duly passed and adopted by the Board of Education for the Detroit Public Schools Community District.

By: , President
Detroit Public Schools Community
District Board of Education

and

By: , Secretary
Detroit Public Schools Community District
Board of Education

Dated: July 9, 2024

EXHIBIT A

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF DETROIT
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STATE OF MICHIGAN**

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