

NOTICE OF REFERENDUM

School District of McFarland

April 2, 2024

Referendum Election Details

At an election to be held in the (For a statewide referendum insert: "several towns, villages, wards, and election districts of the State of Wisconsin". For a county, town, village, city, or school district referendum insert the title and name of the jurisdiction) on (insert date of election), the following proposed (insert amendment to the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin, or Resolution of the County Board, Town Board, Village Board, City Council, or School District Board of Education), will be submitted to a vote of the people:

RESOLUTION NUMBER I

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT BUDGET TO EXCEED REVENUE LIMIT FOR RECURRING PURPOSES AND PROVIDING FOR A REFERENDUM ELECTION ON THE QUESTION OF WHETHER TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the School District of McFarland School Board, Dane County, Wisconsin, (the "District"), hereby adopts this resolution entitled: "Resolution Authorizing The District Budget To Exceed Revenue Limit For Recurring Purposes And Providing For A Referendum Election On The Question Of Whether To Approve The Resolution" (the "Revenue Limit Resolution") in order to authorize the District budget to exceed the revenue limit set forth in Wis. Stat. § 121.91, for recurring purposes by \$3,700,000 beginning with the 2024-2025 school year, by \$1,500,000 beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, by \$1,700,000 beginning with the 2026-2027 school year, by \$1,800,000 beginning with the 2027-2028 school year and by \$1,900,000 beginning with the 2028-2029 school year; and

WHEREAS, the School Board deems it to be desirable and in the best interest of the District, in order to maintain programs for 4K-Grade 12 instruction, to direct the District Clerk to submit the Revenue Limit Resolution to the electors for approval or rejection at the regularly scheduled spring election to be held on April 2, 2024; and

WHEREAS, this Revenue Limit Resolution must be approved by the electors for the District to be authorized to include the additional revenue in the District budgets beginning with the 2024-2025 school year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the School District of McFarland School Board as follows:

1. Board Resolution. The School District of McFarland School Board supports inclusion in the final District budget the following revenues in excess of the revenue limit set forth in Wis. Stat. § 121.91: \$3,700,000 on a recurring basis, beginning with the 2024-2025 school year, \$1,500,000 on a recurring basis, beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, \$1,700,000 on a recurring basis, beginning with the 2026-2027 school year, \$1,800,000 on a recurring basis, beginning with the 2027-2028 school year, and \$1,900,000 on a recurring basis,

beginning with the 2028-2029 school year; such additional revenues to be used to maintain 4K-Grade 12 instruction.

2. Referendum Election Date. The District Clerk is hereby directed to call a referendum election to be held in the District at the regularly scheduled spring election to be held on April 2, 2024, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the District the proposition of whether this Revenue Limit Resolution shall be approved or rejected. Further, the District Clerk shall prepare the requisite notices and provide election officials with all necessary election supplies, including ballots, if and to the extent required by Wis. Stat. § 121.91(3)(c).

3. DPI Notice. Pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 121.91(3)(a), the District Clerk shall notify the Department of Public Instruction of the date of the referendum election and shall provide the Department with a copy of this Revenue Limit Resolution within 10 days after its adoption, and shall further certify the results of the referendum to the Department within 10 days following the election.

4. Filing of Resolution. The District Clerk is directed to file this Resolution, ballots, and any other necessary election supplies with the official or agency responsible for preparing the ballots for the election no later than 70 days prior to the election on April 2, 2024, as required by Wis. Stats. § §121.91(3)(c) and 8.37.

Adopted and recorded December 18, 2023.

/s/ Craig Howery
Craig Howery
District President

ATTEST:
/s/ Bruce Fischer
Bruce Fischer
District Clerk

Ballot Text

The question will appear on the ballot as follows:

QUESTION NUMBER 1

Shall the School District of McFarland, Dane County, Wisconsin be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, on a recurring basis by \$3,700,000 beginning with the 2024-2025 school year, by \$1,500,000 beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, by \$1,700,000 beginning with the 2026-2027 school year, by \$1,800,000 beginning with the 2027-2028 school year and by \$1,900,000 beginning with the 2028-2029 school year such additional revenues to be used for the programmatic costs associated with maintaining current 4K-Grade 12 instructional and operational costs operated by the School District of McFarland?

YES

NO

Explanation

The referendum election ballot will ask District electors to vote “yes” or “no” on the referendum election questions set forth above.

Explanatory Statement Question Number I

A “yes” vote is in favor of said resolution and is a vote to authorize the School District of McFarland, Dane County, Wisconsin to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, on a recurring basis by \$3,700,000 beginning with the 2024-2025 school year, by \$1,500,000 beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, by \$1,700,000 beginning with the 2026-2027 school year, by \$1,800,000 beginning with the 2027-2028 school year and by \$1,900,000 beginning with the 2028-2029 school year such additional revenues to be used for the programmatic costs associated with maintaining current 4K-Grade 12 instructional and operational costs operated by the School District of McFarland.

A “no” vote is in opposition of said resolution and is a vote to deny the School District of McFarland, Dane County, Wisconsin the authority to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, on a recurring basis by \$3,700,000 beginning with the 2024-2025 school year, by \$1,500,000 beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, by \$1,700,000 beginning with the 2026-2027 school year, by \$1,800,000 beginning with the 2027-2028 school year and by \$1,900,000 beginning with the 2028-2029 school year such additional revenues to be used for the programmatic costs associated with maintaining current 4K-Grade 12 instructional and operational costs operated by the School District of McFarland.

In the event a majority of the electors voting vote “yes” on the question the School District of McFarland, Dane County, Wisconsin will be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, on a recurring basis by \$3,700,000 beginning with the 2024-2025 school year, by \$1,500,000 beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, by \$1,700,000 beginning with the 2026-2027 school year, by \$1,800,000 beginning with the 2027-2028 school year and by \$1,900,000 beginning with the 2028-2029 school year such additional revenues to be used for the programmatic costs associated with maintaining current 4K-Grade 12 instructional and operational costs operated by the School District of McFarland; if a majority vote “no” on the question set forth above, the District will not be so authorized.

Done in the Village of McFarland
on February 21, 2024

/s/ Bruce Fischer
School District Clerk
School District of McFarland