NOTICE OF REFERENDUM SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SPRING VALLEY SPRING VALLEY, WI 54767 APRIL 2, 2019

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that at an election to be held in the School District of Spring Valley on April 2, 2019, the following proposed Initial Resolution of the School Board will be submitted to a vote of the people:

INITIAL RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$22,800,000

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of the School District of Spring Valley, Pierce, St. Croix and Dunn Counties, Wisconsin that there shall be issued pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes, general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$22,800,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of constructing and equipping a new elementary school on District-owned land, tearing down the current elementary school, relocating the softball field and completing related site improvements.

The question will appear on the ballot as follows:

"Shall the School District of Spring Valley, Pierce, St. Croix and Dunn Counties, Wisconsin be authorized to issue pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes, general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$22,800,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of constructing and equipping a new elementary school on District-owned land, tearing down the current elementary school, relocating the softball field and completing related site improvements?"

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT AND EFFECT OF VOTE

The referendum election ballot will ask District electors to vote "yes" or "no" on the referendum election question as set forth above.

A "yes" vote on the question is a vote to approve the borrowing of \$22,800,000 by the School District of Spring Valley through the issuance of general obligation bonds for the purpose of paying the cost of constructing and equipping a new elementary school on District-owned land, tearing down the current elementary school, relocating the softball field and completing related site improvements.

A "no" vote on the question is a vote to deny the School District of Spring Valley the authority to borrow \$22,800,000 through the issuance of general obligation bonds for the purpose of paying the cost of constructing and equipping a new elementary school on District-owned land, tearing down the current elementary school, relocating the softball field and completing related site improvements.

In the event a majority of the electors voting on the question vote "yes", the District will be authorized to undertake the school building and improvement program described in the question and borrow not in excess of \$22,800,000 therefor; if a majority vote "no" on the question set forth above, the District will not be so authorized.

LOCATION AND HOURS OF POLLING PLACES

Information as to the location of the polling places is available in the District Office at S1450 CTH CC, Spring Valley, Wisconsin 54767.

ALL POLLING PLACES WILL BE OPEN AT 7:00 A.M. AND WILL CLOSE AT 8:00 P.M.

If you have any questions concerning your polling place, contact the municipal clerk:

Luann Emerson, Clerk Village of Spring Valley E121 S. Second Street, Spring Valley, WI 54767 715-778-5635 8:00 am – 4:30 pm

Melanie Schoepp, Clerk Town of El Paso N5325 450th Street, Ellsworth, WI 54011 715-273-4811

Monica Robey, Clerk Town of Rock Elm N5412 170th Street, Elmwood, WI 54740 715-639-4080

Shelly Ninneman, Clerk Town of Cady 398 State Road 128, Wilson, WI 54027 715-772-3474

Vicky Benson, Clerk Town of Springfield 856 310th Street, Glenwood City, WI 54013 715-698-2170

Stacey Simonson, Clerk Town of Lucas N5671 234th Street, Menomonie, WI 54751 715-232-9212 Becky Manley, Clerk Town of Gilman W3616 770th Avenue, Spring Valley, WI 54767 715-778-4425

Judy Wiff, Clerk Town of Martell W5581 Highway 63, Spring Valley, WI 54767 715-684-2002

Donna Borgschatz, Clerk Town of Spring Lake N7717 County Road B, Spring Valley, WI 54767 715-307-3463

William Peavey, Clerk Town of Eau Galle 285 County Road BB, Woodville, WI 54028 715-698-2361

Dawn Wickman, Clerk Village of Wilson 440 Main Street, Wilson, WI 54027 715-772-4402

All polling places are accessible to elderly and disabled voters.

NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF CANVASSERS

By no later than 9 a.m. on the Tuesday after the election, the school district board of canvassers shall convene, pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 19.84, for the purpose of conducting the school district canvass pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 7.53(3). This meeting will be open to the public pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 19.81-89.

INFORMATION TO ELECTORS

Upon entering the polling place, an elector shall state his or her name and address, show an acceptable form of photo identification and sign the poll book before being permitted to vote. If an elector is not registered to vote, an elector may register to vote at the polling place serving his or her residence, if the elector presents proof of residence in a form specified by law. Where ballots are distributed to electors, the initials of two inspectors must appear on the ballot. Upon being permitted to vote, the elector shall retire alone to a voting booth and cast his or her ballot except that an elector who is a parent or guardian may be accompanied by the elector's minor child or minor ward. An election official may inform the elector of the proper manner for casting a vote, but the official may not in any manner advise or indicate a particular voting choice.

On referendum questions, where **paper ballots** are used, the elector shall make a mark **(X)** in the square next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the elector shall make a mark **(X)** in the square next to "no" if opposed to the question.

When using a *tactile ballot marking device (Vote-PAD)* to mark a **paper** ballot, the elector shall obtain from the inspectors, the assistive device and any audio or dexterity aids if required. On referendum questions, the elector shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the elector shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to "no" if opposed to the question.

On referendum questions, where **optical scan** voting systems are used, the elector shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the elector shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to "no" if opposed to the question.

When using an electronic ballot marking device ("Automark") to mark an optical scan ballot, the elector shall touch the screen at "yes" if in favor of the question, or the elector shall touch the screen at "no" if opposed to the question. On referendum questions, where touch screen voting systems are used, the elector shall touch the screen at "yes" if in favor of the question, or the elector shall touch the screen at "no" if opposed to the question.

The vote should not be cast in any other manner. Not more than five minutes' time shall be allowed inside a voting booth or machine. Sample ballots or other materials to assist the elector in casting his or her vote may be taken into the booth and copied. The sample ballot shall not be shown to anyone so as to reveal how the ballot is marked.

If the elector spoils a **paper or optical scan** ballot, he or she shall return it to an election official who shall issue another ballot in its place, but not more than three ballots shall be issued to any one elector. If the ballot has not been initialed by two inspectors or is defective in any other way, the elector shall return it to the election official, who shall issue a proper ballot in its place.

The elector may spoil a touch screen ballot at the voting station before the ballot is cast.

After an official **paper** ballot is marked, it shall be folded so the inside marks do not show, but so the printed endorsements and inspectors' initials on the outside do show. The elector shall leave the booth, deposit the ballot in the ballot box, or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit, and shall leave the polling place promptly.

After an official **optical scan** ballot is marked, it shall be inserted in the security sleeve so the marks do not show. After casting his or her vote, the elector shall leave the booth, insert the ballot in the voting device and discard the sleeve, or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. If a central count system is used, the elector shall insert the ballot in the ballot box and discard the sleeve, or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. The elector shall leave the polling place promptly.

After an official touch screen ballot is cast, the elector shall leave the polling place promptly.

An elector may select an individual to assist in casting his or her vote if the elector declares to the presiding official that he or she is unable to read, has difficulty reading, writing or understanding English or that due to disability is unable to cast his or her ballot. The selected individual rendering assistance may not be the elector's employer or an agent of that employer or an officer or agent of a labor organization which represents the elector.

The following is a sample of the official ballot:

OFFICIAL REFERENDUM BALLOT

April 2, 2019

<u>Notice to Voters</u>: If you are voting on Election Day, your ballot must be initialed by two election inspectors. If you are voting absentee, your ballot must be initialed by the municipal clerk or deputy clerk. Your ballot may not be counted without initials.

Instructions to Voters

If you make a mistake on your ballot or have a question, ask an election inspector for help. (Absentee Voters: Contact your municipal clerk.)

To vote in favor of a question, make an "X" or other mark in the square next to "Yes," like this: ⊠ To vote against a question, make an "X" or other mark in the square next to "No," like this: ⊠

Referendum
Shall the School District of Spring Valley, Pierce, St. Croix and Dunn Counties, Wisconsin be authorized to issue pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes, general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$22,800,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of constructing and equipping a new elementary school on District-owned land, tearing down the current elementary school, relocating the softball field and completing related site improvements?
YES
NO

Persons with questions regarding the referendum election should contact Donald Haack, District Administrator.

Done in the School District of Spring Valley on March 18, 2019

Brian Wang, School District Clerk