## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT BUDGET TO EXCEED STATE REVENUE LIMITS BY \$800,000.00 PER YEAR BEGINNING WITH THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR THROUGH THE 2028-2029 SCHOOL YEAR FOR NON-RECURRING PURPOSES AND PROVIDING FOR A REFERENDUM FOR THE ELECTORATE'S APPROVAL OR REJECTION THEREOF

**WHEREAS**, the School Board ("Board") for the School District of Mercer ("District"), located in Iron County, Wisconsin deems it to be in the District's best interests to increase the revenues included in the District budget in excess of the state revenue limit by \$800,000.00 per year beginning with the 2024-2025 school year through the school 2028-2029 year for nonrecurring purposes consisting of operational and maintenance expenses; which includes staffing costs, instructional materials, deferred maintenance, and facility upkeep, and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Wis. Stat. Section 121.91(3)(a)1. the Board wishes to schedule a referendum at which the electorate can approve or reject the Board's authorization to exceed the state revenue limits at the spring election to be held on April 2, 2024;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the School Board for the School District of Mercer as follows:

- 1. Authorization to Exceed Revenue Limits. Subject to the electorate's approval at a referendum as further set forth herein, the Board hereby authorizes the District to increase the revenues included in District budget in excess of the state revenue limit by \$800,000.00 per year beginning with the 2024-2025 school year through the 2028-2029 school year for nonrecurring purposes consisting of operational and maintenance expenses; which includes staffing costs, instructional materials, deferred maintenance, and facility upkeep.
- 2. Filing of Resolution. This Resolution and the accompanying ballot question (the "Referendum Question") shall be filed with the District Clerk and with the official or agency responsible for preparing ballots for the election forthwith, and in any event no later than 70 days before the referendum, if and to the extent required by Wis. Stats. Sections 121.91(3)(a)1. and 8.37, or other applicable law. The District Clerk is directed to file copies of this Resolution and the Referendum Question with the clerk of each county having territory within the District no later than the end of the next business day after this Resolution and the Referendum Question are filed with the District Clerk.
- 3. **Referendum Election Date.** The District Clerk is hereby directed to call a referendum to be held in the District at the spring election on April 2, 2024, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the District for approval or rejection this Resolution authorizing the District's budget to exceed the state revenue limits for nonrecurring purposes. The referendum shall be conducted in

accordance with Chapters 5 through 12 of the Wisconsin Statutes. Further, the District Clerk shall prepare and publish all requisite notices and provide election officials with all necessary election supplies, including ballots, if and to the extent required by Wis. Stat. Section 121.91(3)(c), or other applicable law.

4. DPI Notice. Pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stat. Section 121.91(3)(a)1., the District Clerk shall notify the Department of Public Instruction ("Department") of the date of the referendum and shall provide the Department with a copy of this Resolution within 10 days after the adoption of this Resolution and shall further notify the Department of the results of the referendum within 10 days following the election as prescribed by the Department.

Adopted and recorded January 22, 2024.

James Hannemann, District President

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Sue Loth, District Clerk