RESOLUTION RELATED TO RENEWING THE EXPIRING CAPITAL PROJECT LEVY AUTHORIZATION TO FUND TECHNOLOGY OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION THEREON

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 720, Shakopee, State of Minnesota, as follows:

It is hereby found, determined and declared as follows:

- 1. The School Board has investigated and hereby determines and declares that it is necessary and expedient to renew its expiring capital project levy authorization in the amount of 5.837584% times the net tax capacity of the school district, which is scheduled to expire after taxes payable in 2025. The proposed tax rate is not being increased from the previous year's rate. The money raised by the authorization will provide funds for the acquisition and maintenance of technology and technology systems, and to pay the costs of technology-related personnel and training. The renewed capital levy authorization will raise approximately \$6,215,800 for taxes payable in 2026, the first year it is to be levied, and would be authorized for ten (10) years. The estimated total cost of the projects to be funded over that time period is approximately \$62,158,000. The program will be commenced sooner than five (5) years from the date of the special election authorizing the approval of the capital project levy.
- 2. The question on the renewal of the expiring capital project levy authorization of the School District shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the School District at a special election, which is hereby called and directed to be held in conjunction with the state general election on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.
- 3. If approved by the voters, the renewal of the capital project levy authorization shall be used only as authorized in Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.10, subdivision 14. Accordingly, because this capital project only addresses technology, it is exempt from review and comment by the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Education pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 123B.71, subdivision 8.
- 4. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.11, the precincts and polling places for this election are those precincts and polling places designated by the cities, towns, or counties located in whole or in part within the School District for the statewide general election.
- 5. The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause written notice of said special election to be provided to the County Auditor of each county in which the School District is located, in whole or in part, at least eighty-four (84) days before the date of said election, and to the Commissioner of Education, at least seventy-four (74) days before the date of said election. The

notices shall specify the date of said special election and the title and language of the ballot question to be voted on at said special election.

The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause a notice of election to be mailed to each taxpayer in the district at least fifteen (15) but no more than forty-five (45) days prior to the date of the special election. The notice shall contain the required projections and the required statement specified in Minnesota Statutes, section 126C.17, subdivision 9, paragraph (b). The clerk is also directed to cause a copy of this notice to be submitted to the Commissioner of Education and to the County Auditor of each county in which the School District is located in whole or in part at least fifteen (15) days prior to the day of the election.

The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice of said general election to be published in the official newspaper of the district, for two (2) consecutive weeks with the last publication being at least one (1) week before the date of said election.

The clerk is hereby authorized to provide notice by alternative means other than official newspaper of the School District as allowed by law. As such, notice of said general election to be published on the school district's website instead of publishing the proceedings in a newspaper. The school district must also request that the same information be posted at each public library located within the school district for the notice's publication period.

The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice of said special election to be posted at the administrative offices of the School District at least ten (10) days before the date of said special election.

The notice of election so posted and published shall state the time of the election, the location of each polling place, and the questions to be submitted to the voters as set forth in the form of ballot below

The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause a sample ballot to be posted at the administrative offices of the School District at least four (4) days before the date of said special election and to cause two (2) sample ballots to be posted in each polling place on election day.

6. The clerk is authorized and directed to acquire and distribute such election materials and to take such other actions as may be necessary for the proper conduct of this special election. The clerk is further authorized and directed to cooperate with the proper election authorities to cause ballots to be prepared for use at said election in substantially the following form, with such changes in form and instructions as may be necessary to accommodate the use of an optical scan voting system or comply with applicable ballot preparation rules:

GENERAL ELECTION SAMPLE BALLOT SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 720 SHAKOPEE

NOVEMBER 5, 2024

To vote, completely fill in the oval next to your choice, like this:

To vote for a question, fill in the oval next to the word "YES" on that question. To vote against a question, fill in the oval next to the word "NO" on that question.

SCHOOL DISTRICT QUESTION ONE

RENEWAL OF EXPIRING CAPITAL PROJECTS LEVY AUTHORIZATION

The Board of Independent School District No. 720 (Shakopee Public Schools) has proposed to renew its existing capital project levy authorization of 5.837584% times the net tax capacity of the school district, which is scheduled to expire after taxes payable in 2025. The proposed tax rate is not being increased from the previous year's rate. The money raised by the authorization will provide funds for the acquisition and maintenance of technology and technology systems, and to pay the costs of technology-related personnel and training. The renewed capital levy authorization will raise approximately \$6,215,800 for taxes payable in 2026, the first year it is to be levied, and would be authorized for ten (10) years. The estimated total cost of the projects to be funded over that time period is approximately \$62,158,000.

| YES | Shall the renewal of the Capital Projects Levy Authorization by the Board of Independent School District No. 720 be approved? |
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BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING TO RENEW AN EXISTING CAPITAL PROJECTS REFERENDUM THAT IS SCHEDULED TO EXPIRE.

- Optical scan ballots must be printed in black ink on white material, except that marks not to be read by the automatic tabulating equipment may be printed on another color ink. The name of the precinct and machine-readable identification must be printed on each ballot card. Voting instructions must be printed at the top of the ballot card on each side that includes ballot information. The instructions must include an illustration of the proper mark to be used to indicate a vote. Lines for initials of at least two election judges must be printed on one side of the ballot card so that the judges' initials are visible when the ballots are enclosed in a secrecy sleeve.
- 8. If the School District will be contracting to print the ballots for this special election, the clerk is hereby authorized and directed to prepare instructions to the printer for layout of the ballot. Before a contract exceeding \$1,000 is awarded for printing ballots, the printer shall, if requested by the election official, furnish, in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 204D.04, sufficient bond, letter of credit, or certified check acceptable to the clerk in an amount not less than \$1,000 conditioned on printing the ballots in conformity with the Minnesota election law and the instructions delivered. The clerk shall set the amount of the bond, letter of credit, or certified check in an amount equal to the value of the purchase.
- 9. The individuals designated as judges for the state general election shall act as election judges for this special election and shall conduct the special election at the various polling places in the manner prescribed by law.
- 10. The special election shall be held and the returns made and canvassed in the manner prescribed by law and the Board shall meet on a date between the third day, November 8, 2024, and the tenth day, November 15, 2024, after the election for the purpose of canvassing the results thereof.
- 11. The School District clerk shall make all Campaign Financial Reports required to be filed with the School District under Minnesota Statutes, Section 211A.02, available on the School District's website. The clerk must post the report on the School District's website as soon as possible, but no later than thirty (30) days after the date of the receipt of the report. The School District must make a report available on the School District's website for four years from the date the report was posted to the website. The clerk must also provide the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board with a link to the section of the website where reports are made available.
- 12. If the capital project levy authorization proposed is approved, a capital project referendum account shall be created as a separate account in the general fund of the School District. All proceeds from the capital project levy must be deposited in the capital project referendum account. Interest income attributable to the capital project referendum account must be credited to the capital project referendum account may be used only for the costs of acquisition and betterment of the approved projects. If the referendum addresses only technology, the Board hereby resolves that funds approved by the voters will be used only as authorized in section 126C.10, subdivision 14. The funds in the capital project referendum account may be accumulated and not be expended until sufficient funds are available, may be

accumulated and not be expended until additional funds from a bond issue are available, or may be expended on an ongoing basis for approved project costs. Any funds remaining in the capital project referendum account that are not applied to the payment of the costs of the approved projects before their final completion shall be transferred to the School District's debt redemption fund.

- 13. The clerk is hereby authorized and instructed to notify the Commissioner of Education of the results of the special election and to provide the certified vote totals for the ballot questions in written form within fifteen (15) days after the results have been certified by the Board.
- 14. The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to take all necessary actions to ensure that this election is properly submitted to the electorate of the School District.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: and the following voted against the same:

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

STATE OF MINNESOTA) SS COUNTY OF SCOTT)

I, the undersigned, being the duly qualified and acting Clerk of Independent School District No. 720.

(<u>Duringe</u>), Minnesota, hereby certify that the attached and foregoing is a full, true and correct transcript of the minutes of a meeting of the school board of said school district duly called and held on the date therein indicated, so far as such minutes relate to the calling of a renewal of a capital projects levy authorization of said school district, and that the resolution included therein is a full, true and correct copy of the original thereof.

WITNESS MY HAND officially as such clerk this 24th day of June, 2024

Timothy Brophy, School Board Clerk of Shakopee Public Schools