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II. FULL TEXT OF THE MEASURE

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LIVERMORE VALLEY JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT QUALITY EDUCATION ACT OF 2022

This Proposition may be known and referred to as the "Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District Quality Education Act of 2022" or as "Measure ____". *[designation to be assigned by County Registrar of Voters]*

FINDINGS

The Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District ("District") is committed to providing a quality, well-rounded public education to all Livermore students. Since 2004, the Livermore community has supported quality education by providing supplemental financial support for the District through voter-approved parcel taxes. These supplemental revenues have allowed the District to attract and retain quality teachers and provide strong core programs, including math, science, reading, writing, engineering and technology, and other core academics, making our neighborhoods desirable, attracting families and enhancing local property values.

In 2014, the voters of the District renewed its parcel tax ("Measure G") for a period of seven years and revenues from Measure G provide a stable source of approximately \$4,000,000 in annual funding that support local schools and cannot be taken by the State of California (the "State"). This stable local funding protects, enhances and helps retain neighborhood schools' academic excellence, enhances student success, retains highly qualified teachers, keeps classroom technology and instructional materials up-to-date, maintains small class sizes and preserves academic programs. Unless Measure G is extended by voters, the loss of approximately \$4,000,000 annual funding will result in a reduction of educational programs and risk the loss of highly qualified teachers and other education personnel.

The measure to renew local school funding proposed herein does not increase taxes beyond the amount local property owners already pay to support Livermore schools. Renewing this local measure will maintain and preserve all existing senior exemptions to Measure G, without any further application being required from those eligible persons. All expenditures of the parcel tax will continue to be subject to independent citizen oversight and annual reports to ensure funds are spent appropriately and will benefit only the District's schools and cannot be taken by the State or by other school districts.

TERMS AND PURPOSES

Upon approval of two-thirds of those voting on this Proposition, the District shall be authorized to levy a qualified special tax (education parcel tax) in the maximum annual amount equal to the current rate of \$138 per parcel of taxable real property in the District, for seven years commencing July 1, 2022.

The education parcel tax authorized by this Act will renew the existing Measure G education parcel tax approved by the voters of the District on June 3, 2014, which expires by its own terms on June 30, 2022.

Moneys raised under this Quality Education Act of 2022 shall be authorized to be used only to provide financial support to local school programs in accordance with priorities established by the Board of Education and to the extent of available funds, including to:

- Provide elementary science and TK-12 technology specialists
- Attract and retain highly qualified teachers
- Maintain academic achievement in math, science, reading, writing, engineering and technology
- Keep classroom technology and instructional materials up-to-date
- Maintain small class sizes
- Keep schools well-maintained

and to provide other financial support to the extent of available funds to maintain and support the District's academic programs, including the purchase of instructional equipment, materials and supplies.

EXEMPTIONS – SENIOR CITIZENS;
RECIPIENTS OF SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME; RECIPIENTS OF SOCIAL SECURITY
DISABILITY INSURANCE BENEFITS

In order to provide tax relief to senior citizens in the community, any parcel owned and occupied by a person 65 years of age or older shall be exempt from the education parcel tax. Persons receiving Supplemental Security Income for a disability, regardless of age, shall also be exempt. Persons receiving Social Security Disability Insurance benefits, regardless of age, whose yearly income does not exceed 250% of the 2012 federal poverty guidelines issued by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, shall also be exempt.

Exemptions granted pursuant to this section shall remain in effect until the taxpayer becomes ineligible. If the taxpayer becomes ineligible for the exemption for any reason, a new exemption may be granted in the same manner. Exemptions shall be managed pursuant to procedures described below and as further prescribed by California Government Code Section 50079(e), the Board of Education, and as required by law or by the Alameda County Tax Collector and/or the Contra Costa County Tax Collector.

ACCOUNTABILITY PROVISIONS

Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee. The Board of Education shall establish an independent Citizens' Oversight Committee (which may be the existing Measure G oversight committee) to ensure that moneys raised under this Quality Education Act of 2022 are spent wisely and only for the purposes named in this Proposition. The Board of Education shall provide by resolution for the composition, duties, funding and other necessary information regarding the Committee's formation and operation.

Independent Annual Audit. Upon the levy and collection of the education parcel tax, the Board of Education shall cause an account to be established for deposit of the proceeds, pursuant to Government Code Section 50075.1. For so long as any proceeds remain unexpended, the Superintendent of the District shall cause an independent financial auditor to prepare a report to be filed with the Board of Education no later than December 31 of each year, commencing December 31, 2022, stating (1) the amount collected and expended in such year, and (2) the status of any projects or description of any programs funded. The report may relate to the calendar year, fiscal year, or other appropriate annual period, as the Superintendent shall determine, and may be incorporated into or filed with the annual budget, audit, or other appropriate routine report to the Board of Education.

Specific Purposes. All of the purposes named in this Proposition shall constitute the specific purposes of the education parcel tax, and the proceeds thereof shall be applied only for such purposes.

LEVY AND COLLECTION

The education parcel tax shall be collected by the Alameda County Tax Collector and the Contra Costa County Tax Collector (collectively, the "Tax Collector") at the same time and in the same manner and shall be subject to the same penalties as *ad valorem* property taxes collected by the Tax Collector. Unpaid taxes shall bear interest at the same rate as the rate for unpaid *ad valorem* property taxes until paid.

"Parcel of taxable real property" shall be defined as any unit of real property in the District which receives a separate tax bill for *ad valorem* property taxes from the respective Tax Collector. "Parcel of taxable real property" shall exclude in each year all parcels which are otherwise exempt from or on which are levied no *ad valorem* property taxes in any year, and all parcels which have qualified for an eligible exemption provided by this Proposition.

The District shall annually provide a list of parcels to the Tax Collector which the District has approved for an exemption in accordance with this Proposition. Eligibility for either exemption shall be determined solely by the District, and any taxpayer wishing to challenge the District's determination, or claim a refund or reimbursement of taxes paid while eligible for an exemption, shall apply directly to the District.

The Alameda County Assessor's or Contra Costa County Assessor's (collectively, the "County Assessor") determination of exemption or relief for any reason of any parcel from taxation, other than through the exemptions provided for herein, shall be final and binding for the purposes of the education parcel tax. Taxpayers wishing to challenge the County Assessor's determination must do so under the procedures for correcting a misclassification of property pursuant to Part 9 of Division 1 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code or other applicable procedures. Taxpayers seeking a refund of any tax paid shall follow the procedures applicable to property tax refunds pursuant to the California Revenue and Taxation Code.

SEVERABILITY

The Board of Education hereby declares, and the voters by approving this Proposition concur, that every section, paragraph, sentence and clause of this Proposition has independent value, and the Board of Education and the voters would have adopted each provision hereof regardless of every other

provision hereof. Upon approval of this Proposition by the voters, should any part be found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid for any reason, all remaining parts hereof shall remain in full force and effect to the fullest extent allowed by law.

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EXHIBIT B
FORM OF
FORMAL NOTICE OF EDUCATION PARCEL TAX ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the qualified electors of the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District of the Counties of Alameda and Contra Costa, California, that in accordance with the provisions of the Education Code, the Elections Code, and the Government Code of the State of California, an election will be held on May 3, 2022, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the District the proposition summarized as follows:

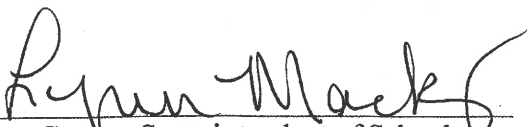
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By execution of this formal Notice of Election the County Superintendent of Schools of Alameda /Contra Costa County orders consolidation of the election with such other elections as may be held on the same day in the same territory or in territory that is in part the same.

The County Superintendent of Schools of Alameda / Contra Costa County, by this Notice of Election, has called the election pursuant to a Resolution and Order of the Board of Education of the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District adopted February 1, 2022, in accordance with the provisions of California Education Code Sections 5302, 5325 and 5361.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this day, Feb. 2,
2022.



County Superintendent of Schools
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County Superintendent of Schools
Alameda / ~~Contra Costa~~ County, California

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CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

I, Emily Prusso Clerk of the Board of Education of the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District, Counties of Alameda and Contra Costa, California, do hereby certify as follows:

The attached is a full, true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Education duly and regularly held at the regular meeting place thereof on February 1, 2022, and entered in the minutes thereof, of which meeting all of the members of the Board of Education had due notice and at which a quorum thereof was present, and the resolution was adopted by the following vote:

AYES:	Bueno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Guzmán	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Prusso	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wang	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	White	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
NOES:	Bueno	<input type="checkbox"/>	Guzmán	<input type="checkbox"/>	Prusso	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wang	<input type="checkbox"/>	White	<input type="checkbox"/>
ABSTENTIONS:	Bueno	<input type="checkbox"/>	Guzmán	<input type="checkbox"/>	Prusso	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wang	<input type="checkbox"/>	White	<input type="checkbox"/>
ABSENT:	Bueno	<input type="checkbox"/>	Guzmán	<input type="checkbox"/>	Prusso	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wang	<input type="checkbox"/>	White	<input type="checkbox"/>

An agenda of said meeting was posted at least 72 hours before said meeting at 685 East Jack London Boulevard, Livermore, California, a location freely accessible to members of the public, and posted on the District's website in accordance with all applicable laws, and a brief description of said resolution appeared on said agenda. A copy of said agenda is attached hereto.

Said resolution has not been amended, modified or rescinded since the date of its adoption, and the same is now in full force and effect.

WITNESS my hand this 1 day of February, 2022.

Emily Prusso
 Clerk of the Board of Education of the
 Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District of
 Alameda County and Contra Costa County, California