

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING PLACEMENT OF A REFERENDUM ON THE BALLOT FOR THE AUGUST 2020 ELECTION FOR THE ELECTORS WITHIN THE NASSAU COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT TO VOTE ON THE APPROVAL OF AN ADDITIONAL ONE (1) MILL OF AD VALOREM MILLAGE TAX PURSUANT TO SECTION 1011.73(2) OF THE FLORIDA STATUTES.

WHEREAS, Section 1011.73(2) of the Florida Statutes authorizes the School Board of Nassau County, Florida, pursuant to a resolution adopted at a regular meeting, to direct the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, to call an election at which the electors within the school district may approve an ad valorem tax millage as authorized under section 1011.71(9) of the Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, according to the School Board, the funds allocated by the State of Florida to Nassau County District Schools (“District”) are insufficient for the District to satisfy important objectives and requirements contained in the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act without compromising the quality of instructional and other services provided by the District; and

WHEREAS, section 1011.71(9) of the Florida Statutes authorizes public school boards to levy, by local referendum, additional millage for school operational purposes up to an amount that, when combined with the non-voted millage levied, does not exceed the 10 mill limit established in s. 9(b), Art. VII of the State Constitution, and the current millage is well-below such limit; and

WHEREAS, the School Board has determined that it is in the best interests of District students and staff to submit to the voters the question of approving an additional one (1) mill of ad valorem millage tax for a period of four (4) years to satisfy the objectives and requirements of

the Act, and provide for operating expenses necessary to the District's delivery of high-quality services.

WHEREAS, at a meeting held on October 24, 2019, the Nassau County School Board approved Resolution No. 1341, requesting the Board of County Commissioners to place the referendum on the ballot for the August 2020 Election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, that:

1. Pursuant to section 1011.73(2), the School Board has requested that the Nassau County Board of County Commissioners place a referendum on the ballot for the forthcoming primary election, whereby the electors within the Nassau County School District may vote on the approval of an additional one (1) mill of ad valorem millage tax for District operating expenses over a period of four (4) years, as authorized by section 1011.71(9) of the Florida Statutes.
2. The substance and title of the millage referendum shall be as follows:

BALLOT TITLE: APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL ONE (1) MILL OF AD VALOREM MILLAGE TAX FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT OPERATIONS.

BALLOT QUESTION: Shall an additional one (1) mill of School District ad valorem millage tax, beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2025, be approved to enhance the safety and security of students and staff, mental health services, technology, and provide for necessary operating expenses of the School District?

DULY ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2019.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

JUSTIN M. TAYLOR
Its: Chairman

Attest as to Chairman's Signature:

JOHN A. CRAWFORD
Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

Approved as to form by the
Nassau County Attorney:

MICHAEL S. MULLIN