

**THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO,
IN THE COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION

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BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO, IN THE COUNTY OF
GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY APPROVING THE
SUBMISSION OF A PROPOSAL TO THE VOTERS OF THE
SCHOOL DISTRICT AT A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE
HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2015**

WHEREAS, The Board of Education of the Borough of Paulsboro, in the County of Gloucester, New Jersey ("Board" when referring to the governing body and "School District" when referring to the legal entity governed by the Board) has determined to undertake a capital project including various improvements to its facilities and the acquisition of various equipment and other related improvements (collectively, the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the School District must issue its school bonds to finance the costs of the Project ("Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, the Project and the issuance of the Bonds must be approved by the voters of the School District ("Bond Referendum"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a resolution adopted on October 30, 2014, the Board authorized and approved the holding of a special school election to be held on Tuesday, January 27, 2015; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board to authorize and approve the proposal to be presented to the voters of the School District at the special election on Tuesday, January 27, 2015.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO, IN THE COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The following proposal ("Proposal") is hereby approved and shall be submitted to the legal voters of the School District at a special election to be held on Tuesday, January 27, 2015:

PROPOSAL I

The Board of Education of the Borough of Paulsboro, in the County of Gloucester, New Jersey ("School District"), is authorized to: (a) undertake for lawful school purposes a capital improvement program consisting of: (i) partial replacement of the roof, exterior door replacement, drainage improvements, rehabilitation of brick work near library, repairs to basement window wells, installation of new security system and HVAC improvements at the **Billingsport Elementary School**; (ii) partial replacement of the roof, installation of new security system, bathroom improvements for handicap accessibility, plumbing repairs and improvements, HVAC improvements, drainage improvements, improvements to the security alarm system, rehabilitation of the brick work, and exterior site repairs at the **Loudenslager Elementary School**; and (iii) repair and partial replacement of the roof, installation of new security system, bathroom improvements for handicap accessibility, installation of exterior doors, rehabilitation of facility exterior, demolition of a chimney, drainage repairs, boiler improvements, plumbing and HVAC control improvements at **Paulsboro High School**, together with the completion of such other work and improvements and acquisition of furniture, fixtures and equipment as may be necessary therefor or related thereto; (b) expend for all the foregoing an amount not to exceed \$7,000,198 (which expenditure shall be funded in part with grants from the State in the amount of \$4,991,470 ("State Grants"), representing approximately 71.30% of the project's final eligible costs ("Final Eligible Costs"), as determined by the Commissioner of Education); (c) issue bonds of the School District for said project in an amount not to exceed \$2,008,728; and (d) transfer unexpended bond proceeds between said school facility projects. In addition, the School District is authorized to issue an additional principal amount of school bonds in an amount up to the State Grant: (i) on an interim basis, pending receipt of the State Grants; or (ii) on a long-term basis, if the State Grants are not available, in which event the State is expected to pay 71.30% of the debt service (principal and interest) of school bonds issued to finance the Final Eligible Costs.

PROPOSAL II

If Proposal I is approved by the voters, the School District is also authorized to: (a) undertake for lawful school purposes, a capital improvement

program consisting of various improvements to the **Paulsboro High School** including, but not limited to: (i) resurfacing of the tennis court; (ii) resurfacing of track and jump areas; (iii) improvements to the **Loudenslager Elementary School** baseball field and basketball courts; and (iv) the completion of such other improvements and work as may be necessary to make the improvements compatible with the existing facilities; (b) acquire related equipment for said improvements; (c) expend for all the foregoing an amount not to exceed \$1,123,750; and (d) issue bonds of the School District for said project in an amount not to exceed \$1,123,750. This school facilities project includes \$1,123,750 for school facility construction elements in addition to the facilities efficiency standards developed by the Commissioner of Education, or that are not otherwise eligible for State support pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-5(g)*.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Voters are requested to cast a vote on each of the two (2) Proposals. If Proposal I is approved by the voters, the School District will be authorized to undertake the projects set forth therein. If Proposal II is approved by the voters, the School District will be authorized to undertake the project set forth therein only if the voters of the School District also approve Proposal I. If the voters of the School District approve Proposal II, but do not approve Proposal I, the School District will not be authorized to undertake the projects set forth in Proposal II.

If Proposal I is approved by the voters of the School District, the School District will be authorized to expend an amount not to exceed \$7,000,198 for the projects described in Proposal I, which amount includes grants from the State of New Jersey in the amount of \$4,991,470. The School District will be authorized to issue school bonds in an amount not to exceed \$2,008,728, representing its local share of said projects.

If Proposals I and II are approved by the voters of the School District, the School District will be authorized to expend an amount not to exceed \$8,123,948 for the projects described in Proposals I and II (of which \$7,000,198 represents Proposal I Final Eligible Costs), which amount includes grants from the State of New Jersey in the amount of \$4,991,470. The School District will be authorized to issue school bonds in an amount not to exceed \$3,132,478, representing its local share of said projects. The total project costs in Proposals I and II include \$1,123,750 for school facility construction elements in addition to the facilities efficiency standards developed by the Commissioner of Education, or that are not otherwise eligible for State support pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-5(g)*.

Notwithstanding anything in this Resolution to the contrary, the Superintendent of Schools and Business Administrator/Board Secretary, upon the advice of Bond Counsel, are each hereby authorized to approve any changes to the Proposal as may be advisable or as may be

required pursuant to provisions of the New Jersey Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act or other applicable law; provided, however, that no such changes shall result in the total appropriation for the project set forth in the Proposal to exceed \$8,123,948.

Section 2. The Board hereby acknowledges and confirms that, in accordance with Sections 16 and 17 of the School Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 18A:24-16 and 18A:24-17, a supplemental debt statement will be prepared by the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Paulsboro, being the sole municipality comprised within the School District, giving effect to the proposed authorization of bonds of the School District in the amount stated in the Proposal set forth above and that the supplemental debt statement will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Borough of Paulsboro and in the office of the Board Secretary prior to the adoption of any resolution authorizing the issuance of bonds of the School District. The Board hereby directs the Board Secretary to have the supplemental debt statement filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs prior to the date of the special election.

Section 3. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to immediately forward a certified copy of this resolution and the Proposal approved herein to the Gloucester County Clerk, the Clerk of the Borough of Paulsboro and to the Gloucester County Board of Elections.

Section 4. All actions heretofore taken and documents prepared or executed by or on behalf of the School District by the members of the Board, Superintendent of Schools, Business Administrator/Board Secretary or by the School District's professional advisors, in connection with the holding of the special election or the consideration of the Proposal at said special election, are

hereby ratified, confirmed, approved and adopted.

Section 5. The President of the Board, Vice President of the Board, Superintendent of Schools and Business Administrator/Board Secretary are each hereby authorized to determine all matters and execute all documents and instruments in connection with the holding of the special election or the consideration of the Proposal at said special election, and the signatures of the President of the Board, Vice President of the Board, Superintendent of Schools or Business Administrator/Board Secretary on such documents or instruments shall be conclusive as to such determinations.

Section 6. All other resolutions, or parts thereof, inconsistent herewith are hereby rescinded and repealed to the extent of any such inconsistency.

Section 7. This Resolution shall take effect immediately on adoption this ___th day of December, 2014.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY)
) ss:
COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER)

JENNIFER JOHNSON, CPA, being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and says:

That deponent is Business Administrator/Secretary of the Board of Education of the Borough of Paulsboro in the County and State aforesaid and that the annexed extract from the minutes of a meeting of the Board of Education of the School District held on December __, 2014 at the time and place therein stated has been compared by deponent with the original minutes of the meeting recorded in full in the official Minute Book of the Board and is a true copy thereof and of the whole of the original so far as it relates to the subject matters referred to in this extract.

JENNIFER JOHNSON, CPA,
Business Administrator/Board Secretary