# NOTICE OF ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING AND ELECTION, BUDGET HEARING & RELATED MATTERS POUGHKEEPSIE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that, pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Education of the Poughkeepsie City School District, Dutchess County, New York, adopted March 1, 2023, the annual Public Hearing on the Budget at the Board Room of the Administration Building, 18 S. Perry Street, Poughkeepsie, New York, will be held on May 3, 2023 at 6:30 p.m., for the purpose of presenting the 2023-2024 School Year Budget.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that a detailed written statement setting forth the amount of money which will be required for School District purposes during the 2023-2024 School Year and specifying the several purposes and the amount for each (the Budget), as prepared by the Board of Education, including the Tax Exemption Report and other required attachments, may be obtained by any District resident at the Public Hearing and at each polling place on the day of the Budget vote, and also may be obtained during the fourteen (14) days immediately preceding the Annual District Meeting and Election, commencing May 3, 2023, except Saturday, Sunday or holidays during regular school hours, 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., at each of the District's schoolhouses, and at the Administration Building, as well as at each public and free association library in the District and on the District's website.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the Annual District Meeting and Election will be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2023, between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 9:00 P.M., prevailing time, when the polls will be open for the purpose of voting by voting machine, to:

- A. Elect two (2) members of the Board of Education, for a three-year term (through June 30, 2026)
- B. Vote upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures for School District purposes for the 2023-24 School Year (the Budget); and
- C. Authorize the use of the 2022 Capital Reserve Fund
- D. Create a new reserve fund to be known as the "Reconstruction/Renovation/Improvement of Certain District Facilities"; and
- E. Create a new capital reserve fund to be known as the "2023 Capital Reserve Fund"; and
- F. Transact such other business as is authorized by law.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN**, that in addition to the proposed District budget for the 2023-2024 fiscal year and school year, which will appear on the ballot as Proposition No. 1, the following propositions will be submitted to the voters, which will appear on the ballot as Proposition No. 2, Proposition No. 3, and Proposition, No. 4:

# **Proposition No. 2**

Shall the Board of Education of the Poughkeepsie City School District (the "District") be authorized to appropriate funds from the District's "2022 Capital Reserve Fund" in the maximum combined amount of \$10,000,000, and to expend these funds for the following purposes: (1) Demolition, and site restoration, including but not limited to paving, at the Jane Bolin Administration Building and maintenance building at 11 College Avenue, Poughkeepsie, New York; (2) Purchase or construction of a replacement maintenance building; 3)

Reconstruction and restoration, including but not limited necessary HVAC, plumbing and abatement of the Middle School pool and locker rooms; 4) Reconstruction and replacement of High School HVAC including unit ventilators in classrooms; and 5) Reconstruction and restoration of floors, ceilings, and exterior windows at District-owned buildings, including paving, drainage and other sitework?

YES

NO

### **Proposition No. 3**

### Reconstruction/Renovation/Improvement of Certain District Facilities

Shall the Board of Education of the Poughkeepsie City School District (the "District") be authorized to: (1) demolish and conduct site restoration of the Jane Bolin Administration Building; and (2) reconstruct, improve, rehabilitate, repair, furnish and equip all district buildings (including, but not limited to, restoration of floors, ceilings, and exterior windows at District-owned buildings, including paving, drainage and other sitework), at a combined maximum estimated cost for all such work of \$26,000,000 and to raise such funds by: (a) the appropriation of \$10,000,000 from the District's 2022 Capital Reserve Fund to pay a portion of said costs; and (b) the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of the District, to be collected in annual installments as provided in Section 416 of the Education Law, which tax may be offset by New York State aid available therefore; and, in anticipation of such tax, shall the District be authorized to issue obligations of the District up to a maximum principal amount of \$16,000,000?

YES

NO

#### **Proposition No. 4**

Shall the Board of Education (the "Board") of the Poughkeepsie City School District ("District") be authorized to establish a new capital reserve fund pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law of the State of New York, to be known as the "2023 Capital Reserve Fund," to pay costs of masonry renovation, plumbing upgrades, electrical upgrades, mechanical upgrades, technology upgrades, telephone upgrades, roof replacement on District buildings, door replacement, window replacement, turf replacement, fencing, site work, including but not limited to paving, curbs and sidewalks, renovation/reconstruction of interior and exterior instructional spaces, abatement of hazardous materials and/or the purchase of new real property, furnishings, and/or equipment, in an ultimate amount of \$12 million dollars (plus interest earned thereon), having a probable term of ten (10) years and be authorized to raise \$12 million dollars to fund such capital reserve fund in the current or future years through various sources including, but not limited to, state aid reimbursement, cost saving measures resulting in unexpended funds or unappropriated fund balance and other legally available funds of the District?

YES

NO

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that two members of the Board of Education will be elected due to the expiration of the terms of Thomas O'Neill and Bob Creedon. The candidates receiving the highest number of votes will each be elected to an at large full three-year term from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026. Pursuant to the provisions of the Education Law, candidates for the at large office of Member of the Board of Education shall be nominated by petition. A separate petition shall be required to nominate each candidate. Each petition shall be signed by at least 100 qualified voters

of the District, and shall state the name and residence of the candidate and each signer. Each petition shall be filed with the Clerk of the District between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. E.D.S.T., but no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 26, 2023. Forms of petition may be obtained from the Clerk of the District on weekdays when school is in session, during regular business hours, 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the purposes of voting, the School District has been divided into five (5) election districts and that an accurate description of the boundaries of these school election districts is on file and may be inspected at the Office of the Clerk on weekdays when school is in session, during regular work hours, 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., at the Administration Building, 18. S. Perry Street, Poughkeepsie, New York.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the 2023 Annual District Meeting and Election will be held at the following polling places in the School Election Districts hereinafter set forth:

| SCHOOL ELECTION DISTRICT        | POLLING PLACE                                   |
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| FIRST SCHOOL ELECTION DISTRICT  | MORSE SCHOOL<br>101 MANSION STREET              |
| SECOND SCHOOL ELECTION DISTRICT | WARRING SCHOOL<br>283 MANSION STREET            |
| THIRD SCHOOL ELECTION DISTRICT  | CLINTON SCHOOL<br>100 MONTGOMERY STREET         |
| FOURTH SCHOOL ELECTION DISTRICT | POUGHKEEPSIE MIDDLE SCHOOL<br>55 COLLEGE AVENUE |
| FIFTH SCHOOL ELECTION DISTRICT  | KRIEGER SCHOOL<br>265 HOOKER AVENUE             |

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the Board of Education of the Poughkeepsie City School District, Dutchess County, New York, has fixed Tuesday, May 2, 2023, as the date on which the Board of Registration of said School District will meet at the Administration Building, 18 S. Perry Street, Poughkeepsie, New York, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., prevailing time, for the purpose of preparing the register of the School District for each election district for the Annual District Meeting and Election, to held on Tuesday, May 16, 2023, at which time any person shall be entitled to have his/her name placed upon such register if known or proven to the satisfaction of the registrars to be then or thereafter entitled to vote. A qualified voter whose registration to vote in other than school elections is current with the Dutchess County Board of Elections, pursuant to Article 5 of the Election Law, shall be qualified to voters who shall have previously registered for any Annual or Special District Meeting or Election and who shall have voted to any Annual or Special District Meeting or Election held or conducted at any time during the 2019, 2020, 2021 or 2022 calendar years.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the register of voters so prepared shall be filed in the Office of the District Clerk, Administration Building, 18 S. Perry Street, Poughkeepsie, NY, and shall be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the District between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.,

prevailing time, during the fourteen (14) days prior to the Annual District Meeting and Election. Said register will be open for inspection in each of the polling places during the Annual District Meeting and Election.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that applications for absentee ballots for the Annual District Meeting and Election may be obtained at the Office of the District Clerk, Administration Building, 18 S. Perry Street, Poughkeepsie, NY. The completed application must be received by the Clerk at least seven (7) days prior to the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter or the day before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued will be available in the Office of the Clerk during regular office hours the day of the Annual District Meeting and Election. Any qualified voter may file a written until challenge of the qualifications of a voter whose name appears on such list, stating the reason for the challenge.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that military voters who are not currently registered may apply to register as qualified voters of the school district. Military voters may request an application to register as a qualified voter from the District Clerk. Military voter registration application forms must be received in the Office of the District Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 1, 2023. In order for a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the school district must have received in the office of the school district clerk a valid ballot application no later than 5:00 pm on May 1, 2023. A military voter may designate a preference to receive a military voter registration, military ballot application or military ballot by mail, facsimile transmission or electronic mail in their request for such registration, ballot application, or ballot. Such designation shall remain in effect until revoked or changed by the military voter. Ballots for military voters shall be mailed, or otherwise distributed, no later than May 2, 2023.

Dated: March 2, 2023

### BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE POUGHKEEPSIE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

/s/ Becky Torres Becky Torres, District Clerk