FEDERAL WAY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 210 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

REPLACEMENT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND OPERATIONS LEVY

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-15

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ADOPTED NOVEMBER 28, 2017

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WHEREAS, Federal Way School District No. 210, King County, Washington (the "District"), for the past four years has had in effect an educational programs and operations levy in order to enable the District to pay for educational programs and school operations, including classroom support, technology and security staff, athletics and activities, maintenance, and transportation; and

WHEREAS, the current educational programs and operations levies expire this year; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Legislature through ESHB 2242 (Chapter 13, Laws of 2017) has begun the multi-year process of providing ample provision for the basic education of all students; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of Federal Way School District has determined that the money in and to be paid into the General Fund of the District during the 2019-2020, 2020-2021, 2021-2022, 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 school years will be insufficient to enable the District to pay for necessary educational programs and operations and to properly meet the educational needs of the students attending District schools; and

WHEREAS, in order to properly provide for such educational programs and operations and such educational needs, the Board of Directors of the District deems it necessary to levy pursuant to RCW 84.52.053 the following taxes upon all of the taxable property within the District in excess of the maximum annual tax levy permitted by law to be levied within the District without a vote of the electors:

A. A tax of approximately \$1.50 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation to provide \$33,000,000, said levy to be made in 2018 for collection in 2019;

- B. A tax of approximately \$1.50 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation to provide \$33,000,000, said levy to be made in 2019 for collection in 2020;
- C. A tax of approximately \$1.50 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation to provide \$33,000,000, said levy to be made in 2020 for collection in 2021; and
- D. A tax of approximately \$1.50 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation to provide \$33,000,000, said levy to be made in 2021 for collection in 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington require that the question of whether or not such excess taxes may be levied must be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for their ratification or rejection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF FEDERAL WAY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 210, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. It is hereby found and declared by the Board of Directors that the welfare of the students and other residents of the District require the District to carry out the plans hereinafter provided. The Board establishes the following proposed levies based on an expectation that the Washington State Legislature will fulfill its constitutional obligation to fund basic education as outlined in EHSB 2242 (Chapter 13, Laws of 2017) and maintain a commitment to local effort levy equalization assistance ("LEA"). This Board also recognizes that State funding for public education may change based on regionalization factors, changes to LEA or other legislative actions. Based upon such considerations, the Board determines that the following taxes for the District's General Fund should be levied upon all of the taxable property within the District in excess of the maximum annual tax levy permitted by law to be levied within the District without a vote of the electors:

- A. \$33,000,000, said levy to be made in 2018 for collection in 2019;
- B. \$33,000,000, said levy to be made in 2019 for collection in 2020;
- C. \$33,000,000, said levy to be made in 2020 for collection in 2021; and
- D. \$33,000,000, said levy to be made in 2021 for collection in 2022.

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The estimated levy rate as established in ESHB 2242 (Chapter 13, Laws of 2017) cannot exceed \$1.50 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation. Upon approval by the voters of the proposition substantially in the form set forth below, the District may use the proceeds of said levies during the 2018-2019, 2019-2020, 2020-2021, 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 school years by incurring an indebtedness by the issuance of short term obligations against the General Fund of the District, as authorized by Chapter 39.50 RCW, and may expend the proceeds of said levies to pay such part of the general expenses of educational programs and operations of the District during such school years as may be authorized or allowed by law for the use of excess levy funds, including instructional programs beyond the state minimum instructional offerings, staffing ratios, program components, professional learning, student and program support, and school operations.

Section 2. It is hereby found and declared that the best interests of the District require the submission to the qualified electors of the District of the proposition of whether or not the District shall levy such excess tax for their ratification or rejection at a special election to be held therein on February 13, 2018.

King County Elections, as *ex officio* supervisor of elections in King County, Washington, is hereby requested pursuant to RCW 29A.04.330(2) to call and conduct said special election to be held by mail-in ballot, within the District on said date and to submit to the qualified electors of the District, under the authority of RCW 84.52.053, the proposition substantially in the form hereinafter set forth. The Secretary of the Board of Directors is hereby authorized and directed to certify said proposition substantially in the following form:

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PROPOSITION NO. 1

FEDERAL WAY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 210 REPLACEMENT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND OPERATIONS LEVY

The Board of Directors of Federal Way Public Schools adopted Resolution No. 2017-15 concerning a replacement levy to continue funding for educational expenses not fully funded by the State, including instructional programs beyond the state minimum, enhanced staffing, program components, professional learning, scholar and program support, and school operations and authorizes the following excess levies to replace an expiring levy on all taxable property within the District as provided in the Resolution:

	Approximate	
Collection	Levy Rate/\$1,000	Levy
Years	Assessed Value	Amount
2019	\$1.50	\$ 33,000,000
2020	\$1.50	\$ 33,000,000
2021	\$1.50	\$ 33,000,000
2022	\$1.50	\$ 33,000,000

Should this proposition be approved?

YES	
NO	

The Secretary of the Board of Directors of the District is hereby directed to deliver a certified copy of this resolution to King County Elections.

Section 3. Pursuant to authority granted by RCW 29A.32.220, the Board of Directors hereby authorizes the District's participation in the local voters' pamphlet for the February 13, 2018 election and requests that King County Elections prepare and publish a voters' pamphlet for this proposition. The District understands and agrees that it will be required to pay its proportionate share of the expenses of the voters' pamphlet.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Federal Way School District No. 210, King County,

Washington, at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 28th day of November, 2017.

FEDERAL WAY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 210, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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ATTEST: Secretary, Board of Directors