NORTHSHORE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 417 KING AND SNOHOMISH COUNTIES, WASHINGTON

RENEWAL SCHOOL TECHNOLOGY LEVY

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WHEREAS, the educational facilities of Northshore School District No. 417, King and Snohomish Counties, Washington (the "District"), including technology facilities are in need of modernization, improvements and expansion to meet the current and future educational needs for its students; and

WHEREAS, funds available to the District will be insufficient to enable the District to implement such projects; and

WHEREAS, in order to support the cost of these projects as found necessary by the Board of Directors, it is deemed advisable that the District levy a tax upon all the taxable property within the District in excess of the annual tax the District is permitted by law to levy without a vote of the people, such levy to be made for four years commencing in 2018 for collection in the school years from 2018-2019 through 2022-2023, inclusive, as authorized by Article VII, Section 2 of the State Constitution and RCW 84.52.053; and

WHEREAS, the question of whether or not such excess tax may be levied must be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for their ratification or rejection; and

WHEREAS, the conditions here and above set forth require the holding of a special election in the District;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF NORTHSHORE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 417, KING AND SNOHOMISH COUNTIES, WASHINGTON as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. <u>Finding</u>. It is hereby found and declared that the welfare of the students and other residents of the District requires the District to carry out the improvements hereinafter provided.

Section 2. Authorization of Improvements. The District shall modernize and expand its educational facilities through the acquisition and installation of technology systems, facilities and projects, including acquiring hardware, licensing software, and online applications and training related to the foregoing as an integral part of the District's technology systems, facilities, or projects; and, as guided by the District's strategic plan for equity in education, funds to provide capacity to purchase sufficient computing devices so students have access to technology when and where they need it; and the application and modernization of technology systems for operations and instruction including, but not limited to, the ongoing fees for online applications, subscriptions, or software licenses, including upgrades and incidental services, and ongoing training related to the installation and integration of these products or services, and shall make other capital expenditures as found necessary by the Board of Directors.

The District may repay any obligations hereafter incurred for the foregoing purposes.

If available funds are sufficient, the District shall acquire, construct, equip and make other capital improvements to the facilities of the District, all as the Board of Directors finds necessary; provided that such funds may be used only to support the construction, modernization, replacement, and remodeling of school facilities or implementation of the District's technology facilities and communications plan.

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If the District shall determine that it has become impracticable to accomplish any of such improvements or portions thereof by reason of changed conditions or needs, incompatible development, costs substantially in excess of those estimated, or acquisition by a superior governmental authority, the District shall not be required to accomplish such improvement and may apply levy proceeds as set forth in this section. If any or all of the improvements have been completed, or their completion duly provided for, or their completion found to be impractical, the District may apply the levy proceeds or any portion thereof to other portions of the improvements or to other capital purposes of the District, as the District in its discretion shall determine. Notwithstanding any provision of this resolution to the contrary, levy proceeds may only be used to support the construction, modernization or remodeling of school facilities or implementation of the District's technology facilities plan. The District hereby further confirms that the District will allocate and designate District resources for internal audit processes to assure that levy proceeds will be spent for permitted purposes.

Section 3. Authorization of Levies. It is hereby found and declared that best interests of the District require the submission to the qualified electors of the District of the proposition whether the District shall make the Capital Projects Fund levies for their ratification or rejection at a special election to be held on February 13, 2018. For the purpose of providing funds necessary for the needs described in Section 2 above, King County Elections, as *ex officio* supervisor of elections in King County, is hereby requested to call and conduct such special election to be held within the District on such day and to submit to the qualified electors of the District for their approval or rejection, a proposition providing for tax levies for the Capital Projects Fund for four years, commencing in 2018, producing dollar amounts at estimated tax rates per thousand dollars of assessed value to produce such amounts, in excess of the maximum

amount tax levy permitted by law to be levied within the District without a vote of the electors, all as follows:

- A. \$15,500,000, said levy to be made in 2018 for collection in 2019;
- B. \$15,500,000, said levy to be made in 2019 for collection in 2020;
- C. \$15,500,000, said levy to be made in 2020 for collection in 2021; and
- D. \$15,500,000, said levy to be made in 2021 for collection in 2022.

The estimated levy rate depends upon the final dollar amount of assessed value of the property within the District. At this time, based upon information provided by the King and Snohomish County Assessors' offices, the estimated levy rate for the 2018 levy is \$0.51 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation, the estimated levy rate for the 2019 levy is \$0.50 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation, the estimated levy rate for the 2020 levy is \$0.48 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation and the estimated levy rate for the 2021 levy is \$0.47 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation. The exact levy rate shall be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the property within the District at the time of the levy.

<u>Section 4</u>. <u>Approval of Form of Ballot</u>. King County Elections, as *ex officio* supervisor of elections in King County, Washington, is hereby requested to call and conduct said special election to be held within the District on said date and to submit to the qualified electors of the District the proposition substantially in the form hereinafter set forth.

The Secretary of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to certify the proposition (Proposition 3) to King County Elections in substantially the following form:

PROPOSITION NO. 3

NORTHSHORE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 417

RENEWAL CAPITAL PROJECTS (TECHNOLOGY) LEVY

The Board of Directors of Northshore School District No. 417 adopted Resolution No. 764 concerning a proposition for capital levies. To ensure all students have access to technology to prepare for careers of tomorrow, modernize technology systems, and train students and staff, the District shall levy the following excess levies in place of an expiring levy on all taxable property within the District:

	Approximate	
Collection	Levy Rate/\$1,000	Levy
Years	Assessed Value	Amount
2019	\$0.51	\$ 15,500,000
2020	\$0.50	\$ 15,500,000
2021	\$0.48	\$ 15,500,000
2022	\$0.47	\$ 15,500,000

all as provided in Resolution# 764. Should this proposition be approved?

YES	
NO	

The Secretary of the Board of Directors is hereby authorized to deliver a certified copy of this resolution to King County Elections and a courtesy copy to the Snohomish County Auditor.

<u>Section 5.</u> <u>Notices Relating to Ballot Title</u>. For purposes of receiving notice of the exact language of the ballot title required by RCW 29A.36.080, the Board hereby designates (a) the District's Executive Director, Business Services (Lydia Sellie), telephone: 425.408.7630; email: lsellie@nsd.org; and (b) special counsel, K&L Gates LLP, telephone: 206.370.7801; email: cynthia.weed@klgates.com, as the individuals to whom the Auditor shall provide such notice. The Executive Director, Business Services is authorized to approve changes to the ballot title, if any, deemed necessary by the Auditor or the King County Prosecuting Attorney.

Section 6. <u>Voters' Pamphlet</u>. 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 Northshore School District No. 417, King and Snohomish Counties, Washington, at a regular meeting thereof, held this 23rd day of October, 2017.

NORTHSHORE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 417, KING AND SNOHOMISH COUNTIES, WASHINGTON

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ATTEST:

Secretary, Board of Directors