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VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

Mr. Dean C. Logan, Registrar of Voters
Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters Office
124200 Imperial Highway, 3rd Floor, Room 3207
Norwalk, CA 90650

Re: East Whittier City School District – General Obligation Bond Election –
November 5, 2024

Dear Mr. Logan:

Our firm is representing the East Whittier City School District (“District”) as bond counsel for a general obligation bond election to be conducted within the boundaries of the District on November 5, 2024. This cover letter is provided at the District's request. On June 10, 2024, the Board of Education of the District adopted Resolution No. 25-23/24 (“Resolution”) calling a general obligation bond election within the District for November 5, 2024. This Resolution orders a general obligation bond election to be held within the boundaries of the District on November 5, 2024, establishes specifications of the election and requests consolidation with other elections occurring within the District boundaries on November 5, 2024. **Please note that this bond measure election is called pursuant to the provisions of Proposition 39 and its related legislation.**

Please find enclosed with this letter the following:

1. A letter request from the District's Superintendent to proceed with conducting this bond election as set forth in Resolution No. 25-23/24;
2. A signed and certified copy of Resolution No. 25-23/24; and
3. A signed copy of the Tax Rate Statement for this bond measure, provided pursuant to Elections Code Section 9400 *et seq.*

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We request that you provide our offices and the District with a calendar of events for this election (in particular the due date for arguments concerning the bond measure). We are also filing a copy of the Resolution with the Los Angeles County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors offices to request consolidation with any other elections being conducted within the boundaries of the District on the November 5, 2024, election date. Please advise us as soon as possible if there are any additional documents which your office requires to conduct this election.

Please note that the Bond Measure (proposition) text, the Bond Measure Statement (Elections Code Section 13247(a)) and the proposed form of the School Bond Election Notice are attached to the Resolution as exhibits. **The District is specifically requesting (as set forth in the District's letter and Resolution No. 25-23/24) pursuant to California Constitution Article XIII A, Section 1(b), that the full text of the Bond Measure (Exhibit "A" including Attachment "1" of the Resolution) be published in the ballot pamphlet distributed to voters.** We can provide Exhibit "A," including Attachment "1," in electronic form if so desired by your offices.

Please also note that pursuant to Education Code Section 15272 the statement concerning the citizen's oversight committee requirement must be published in the ballot pamphlet distributed to voters (please see Section 12 of the Resolution). Additionally, please note the District's request with respect to the letter designation of the Bond Measure as set out in the Superintendent's Letter.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned or the District.

Very truly yours,

ATKINSON, ANDELSON, LOYA, RUUD &
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Robert E. Anslow

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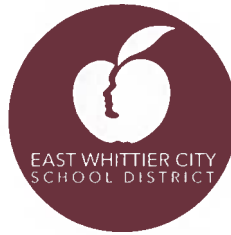
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cc: Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,
Celia Zavala, Clerk of the Board (w/ encl.) (overnight)
Los Angeles County Office of Education,
Octavio Castelo, Director, Business Advisory Services (w/ encl.) (overnight)
Dr. Marc Patterson, Superintendent, East Whittier City SD (w/o encl.) (email)
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June 10, 2024

Mr. Dean C. Logan
Registrar of Voters
12400 Imperial Highway, 3rd Floor, Room 3207
Norwalk, CA 90650

Re: East Whittier City School District - General Obligation Bond Election – November 5, 2024

Dear Mr. Logan:

On June 10, 2024, the Board of Education of the East Whittier City School District (“District”) adopted Resolution No. 25-23/24 calling a general obligation bond election within the boundaries of the District for November 5, 2024.

Pursuant to Education Code Section 5322, please find enclosed a certified copy of Resolution No. 25-23/24. This Resolution orders a general obligation bond election to be held within the District on November 5, 2024, establishes specifications of such election, and requests consolidation with other elections occurring within the District boundaries located within Los Angeles County on the November 5, 2024 Statewide General Election date. Please note that this election is called pursuant to the provisions of Proposition 39 and related legislation.

We request that you provide the District and our Bond Counsel (Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo, A Professional Corporation, 20 Pacifica, Suite 1100, Irvine, CA 92618) with a calendar of events for this election at your earliest convenience. We are also filing a copy of Resolution No. 25-23/24 with the Los Angeles County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to request consolidation with any other elections being conducted within the District located within Los Angeles County on the November 5, 2024, Statewide General Election date.

Please note that the Bond Measure (proposition) text and the Bond Measure Statement (Elections Code Section 13247) are attached to Resolution No. 25-23/24 as exhibits. The District is specifically requesting, pursuant to California Constitution Article XIII A, Section 1(b), that the full text of the Bond Measure (Exhibit “A” and Attachment “1” of the Resolution) be published in the ballot pamphlet distributed to voters (please see Section 11 of the Resolution). This can be provided in electronic form if requested by your office. Please also note that pursuant to Education Code Section 15272 the statement concerning the citizens’ oversight committee must also be published in the ballot pamphlet distributed to voters (please see Section 15 of Resolution No. 25-23/24).

Board of Education

Wendy Carrera President	Carlos Aparicio Vice President	Christine Chacon Kennedy Clerk	Lisa Michelle Dabbs Member	Armando Urteaga Member	Syrah Guzman Student Board Member
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The District respectfully requests that this ballot measure **not** be designated with the letters "D" or "F." The assistance of your office in this regard is appreciated.

An executed Tax Rate Statement for this general obligation bond election, prepared in accordance with Elections Code Sections 9400-9404 is also being provided.

Very truly yours,



Dr. Marc Patterson, Ed.D., Superintendent
East Whittier City School District

REA:tlb
Enclosures

RESOLUTION NO. 25-23/24

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE EAST WHITTIER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT ORDERING A SCHOOL BOND ELECTION, ESTABLISHING SPECIFICATIONS FOR AN ELECTION ORDER, REQUESTING CONSOLIDATION WITH OTHER ELECTIONS OCCURRING ON NOVEMBER 5, 2024, AND TAKING RELATED ACTIONS

WHEREAS, the East Whittier City School District (“District”), a California public school district organized and operating pursuant to the laws of the State of California (“State”), desires to construct and acquire school facilities, make improvements to certain existing facilities, rehabilitate, modernize or replace certain existing school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities purposes, which may include the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, all as further described herein, for school facilities to serve the students within the District as further described in Exhibit “A” attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference (“School Facilities”); and

WHEREAS, Section 1(a) of Article XIII A of the California Constitution enacted in 1978, subject to exceptions, limits ad valorem taxes on real property to one percent (1%) of the full cash value of such property; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 46, approved by the voters of the State in 1986 added a provision to Section 1(b) of Article XIII A to exempt from such one percent (1%) of full cash value limitation, those ad valorem taxes used to pay debt service of any bonded indebtedness for the acquisition or improvement of real property approved on or after July 1, 1978, by two-thirds (2/3) of the votes cast by the voters voting on the proposition for bonded indebtedness; and

WHEREAS, the Smaller Classes, Safer Schools and Financial Accountability Act (“Proposition 39”) was adopted by the voters within the State in 2000, added Section 1(b)(3) of Article XIII A of the California Constitution and amended Section 18(b) of Article XVI of the California Constitution, to allow a public school district, upon approval by a two-thirds vote of its Board of Education, to incur bonded indebtedness approved in an election conducted after such date for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities or the acquisition or lease of facilities or real property for school facilities, in consideration of safety, class size reduction and information technology needs, to be approved by fifty-five percent (55%) of the voters of such school district provided that certain findings, determinations, certifications and requirements are applicable to such a bond election and the proposition for such bonded indebtedness includes specified accountability requirements all as set forth in Proposition 39, as adopted, and related State legislation are satisfied (“Proposition 39 Accountability Requirements”); and

WHEREAS, a school facilities improvement bond measure will require strict fiscal accountability requirements, including a citizens’ oversight committee, mandatory annual audits and a prohibition against any funds being used for administrators’ salaries, pensions or benefits; and

WHEREAS, passage of a school facilities improvement bond measure will help the District qualify for state matching funds that otherwise may be lost to other school districts; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the District (“Board”) has reviewed and considered various information, factors and data concerning the status, condition and facilities needs of each of the District’s schools and school sites, including, but not limited to, the District’s current Facilities Master Plan and reports, estimates of the costs of school facilities in order to meet the educational needs of the District’s current and future students, availability of other funding sources, community input and related matters and information; and

WHEREAS, the District’s current Facilities Master Plan provided guidance for the development of the School Facilities Project List (Attachment “1” to Exhibit “A”); and

WHEREAS, under existing State law, November 5, 2024, is a Statewide General Election Date (Statewide General Election date); and

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the Board it is advisable to order the Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters (“County Registrar”) to conduct an election within the District on the question of whether bonds (“Bonds”) shall be issued and sold for the purposes described herein and subject to the Proposition 39 Accountability Requirements; and

WHEREAS, under Section 10403 *et seq.* of the California Elections Code (“Elections Code”), it is appropriate for the Board to request consolidation of such election with any and all other elections to be held within the boundaries of the District on Tuesday, November 5, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE EAST WHITTIER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. The Board, pursuant to California Education Code (“Education Code”) Sections 15264 *et seq.*, Section 1(b)(3) of Article XIII A of the California Constitution, Section 18(b) of Article XVI of the California Constitution and, to the extent applicable, Education Code Sections 15100 *et seq.*, hereby orders and calls an election to submit to the electors of the District the question of whether Bonds will be issued and sold for the purpose of raising money to finance the School Facilities listed in Exhibit “A” (“Election”), which is also on file at the District office, and for paying costs incident thereto, which Election will occur on a Statewide General Election Date. The amount of the Bond authorization shall be \$97,000,000 as further set forth in the exhibits hereto.

Section 3. The date of the Election shall be November 5, 2024.

Section 4. The purpose of the Election shall be for the voters in the District to vote on a proposition as set forth in Section 11 hereof (“Proposition” or “Bond Measure”), containing the question of whether the District shall issue the Bonds for the purposes stated therein, including the Proposition 39 Accountability Requirements, and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Resolution.

Section 5. That the authority for ordering the Election is contained in Education Code Sections 15264 *et seq.*, Section 1(b)(3) of Article XIII A of the California Constitution and Section 18(b) of Article XVI of the California Constitution as amended pursuant to the provisions of Proposition 39 and, to the extent applicable, Education Code Sections 15100 *et seq.*

Section 6. This Resolution constitutes the order of the District to the County Registrar to call and conduct the Election (“Election Order”) within the boundaries of the District on November 5, 2024, which is a Statewide General Election Date, subject to the terms, provisions and requirements set forth herein.

Section 7. The authority for the specification of the Election Order is contained in Education Code Section 5322.

Section 8. The Clerk of the Board is directed to send, or cause to be sent, a certified copy of this Resolution to the County Registrar and a certified copy of this Resolution to the Los Angeles County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors (“County Clerk”). The Clerk of the Board shall also transmit, or cause to be transmitted, a copy of this Resolution to the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools/County Office of Education.

Section 9. Pursuant to Education Code Section 5342 and Part 3 (commencing with Section 10400) of Division 10 of the Elections Code, the County Registrar and the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (“County Board”) are hereby requested to take any and all actions necessary to consolidate the Election ordered hereby with any and all other elections to be held on November 5, 2024, within the boundaries of the District, and to take all other actions necessary to call and conduct the Election specified herein. The County Registrar, the County Clerk and the County Board are hereby also requested to take all other actions necessary to conduct the Election called and ordered hereby.

Section 10. Pursuant to Section 5303 of the Education Code and Section 10002 of the Elections Code, the County Board is requested to permit the County Registrar to render all services specified by Section 10418 of the Elections Code relating to the Election, for which services the District agrees to reimburse Los Angeles County (“County”) in full upon presentation of a bill from the County, such services to include the publication of the Notice of School Bond Election and the mailing of the sample ballot and Tax Rate Statement (as described herein).

Section 11. Based upon the requirements of the California Constitution and State law, the Proposition to be voted on by the voters in the District in such Election shall be as set forth in Exhibit “A” attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference. The full text of the Proposition, which commences with the heading “TEXT OF BOND MEASURE” and includes all of the text thereafter on Exhibit “A,” (including Attachment “1”) shall be printed in the voter information pamphlet (voter information guide) provided to voters, with such measure designation as is assigned to the Proposition by the County elections official.

Section 12. A Bond Measure Statement, to comply with Education Code Section 5322 and Elections Code Section 13247, and other applicable law, is attached hereto as Exhibit “B” and incorporated herein by this reference. The Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services and District legal counsel are hereby authorized to communicate with, and

provide directions to, the County Registrar as to the form of the Bond Measure Statement to be used.

Section 13. Notice of such Election (Bond Measure) shall be provided by the County Registrar as provided for under State law.

Section 14. If the Bond measure is approved pursuant to the requirements of the California Constitution and applicable State law, the Board shall establish and appoint members to an independent citizens' oversight committee in accordance with the requirements of Article 2 of Chapter 1.5 of Part 10 of the Education Code.

Section 15. Pursuant to Education Code Section 15272, and as included in Exhibit "A" attached hereto, the Board hereby directs that the County Registrar cause to be printed in or on the ballot materials for the Election substantially the following statement:

"If this bond measure is approved, the East Whittier City School District Board of Education will appoint a citizens' oversight committee and conduct annual independent audits to assure that bond funds are spent only on school and classroom improvements and for no other purposes."

Section 16. The Board certifies that the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds will be used only for the purposes specified in Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) as further specified in Exhibit "A," and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses. Further, as required by Article XIII A, the Board hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size and information technology needs in developing the list of School Facilities projects set forth in Exhibit "A."

Section 17. As required by Article XIII A, Education Code Section 15278 and California Government Code ("Government Code") Section 53410, in the event fifty-five percent (55%) (or more) of the voters voting in the District approve of the Bonds, the Board shall:

- (a) conduct annual, independent performance audits to ensure that the funds have been expended only on the School Facilities set out in Exhibit "A";
- (b) conduct annual, independent financial audits of the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds until all of those proceeds have been expended for the School Facilities set out in Exhibit "A"; and
- (c) apply the Bond proceeds only to the specific purposes stated in the Proposition.

Section 18. In accordance with Education Code Section 15268, the Bonds will only be issued if the tax rate levied to meet the requirements of Section 18 of Article XVI of the California Constitution will not exceed thirty dollars (\$30) per year per one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) of taxable property for the Bonds authorized in this Election when assessed valuation is projected by the District to increase in accordance with Article XIII A of the California Constitution.

Section 19. To the extent applicable, the Board finds that in connection with the calling of the Election and in accordance with Education Code Section 15100(c), the District has obtained reasonable and informed projections of assessed property valuations that take into consideration projections of assessed property valuations within the boundaries of the District as made by the County Assessor.

Section 20. Pursuant to Government Code Sections 53410 and 53411 and other provisions of State law, the Board hereby finds, determines and directs as follows:

(a) The purpose of the Bonds to be authorized pursuant to the Election is to finance the School Facilities as described herein.

(b) The Board hereby directs that at the time the Bonds are authorized by the Board for issuance and sale, the Board shall provide, in such issuance resolution or other Bond issuance documents, that the proceeds of the Bonds shall be used only for the purpose set forth in Section 20(a), above.

(c) The Board hereby directs that at the time the Bonds are authorized by the Board for issuance and sale, the Board shall provide in such issuance resolution or other Bond issuance documents for the creation of one or more funds or accounts (which may include subaccounts) into which the proceeds of the Bonds, or each series of Bonds, as the case may be, shall be deposited. The Bonds may be issued in one or more series consistent with applicable law, including the provisions and restrictions of this Section 20, which shall apply to each such series of the Bonds.

(d) The District's Superintendent, or the District's Assistant Superintendent, Business Services (as shall be applicable), shall have the responsibility (once the Bonds are authorized and issued) to provide to the Board, no less often than annually, a written report which shall contain at least the following information:

- (i) The amount of the Bond proceeds received and expended within the identified period of time. If no Bonds have been issued and sold, the report may simply note such situation;
- (ii) In the event that Bonds have been issued and sold, and proceeds therefore received, the report shall include the status of the acquisition, construction or financing of the School Facilities with the proceeds of such Bonds or series of Bonds; and
- (iii) In the event that taxes have been levied in a fiscal year to pay principal and interest on the Bonds, the amount of principal and interest due on the Bonds in the corresponding calendar or fiscal year.

The report required by this Section 20(d) may be combined with other periodic reports which include the same information, including, but not limited to, periodic reports made to the California Debt and Investment Advisory Commission or continuing disclosure reports or other reports made in connection with the Bonds, or any series thereof.

The requirements of this Section 20(d) shall apply only until all Bonds, or each series of Bonds, are redeemed or defeased, but if the Bonds or any series of Bonds are refunded, such provisions shall apply until all such refunding Bonds are redeemed or defeased.

Section 21. The Bonds may be issued in one or more series by the District from time to time, and each series of Bonds shall mature not more than the applicable legal limit from the date of issuance thereof. The Bonds shall be issued under the provisions of the Education Code, under the provisions of Section 53506 of the Government Code, or under any other provision of law authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds by school districts.

Section 22. Any or all of the members of this Board are authorized to act as an author of any ballot argument prepared in connection with the Election, including a rebuttal argument.

Section 23. The Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, President of the Board, and their respective designees, are hereby authorized to execute and deliver any Tax Rate Statement (prepared or provided pursuant to Elections Code Sections 9400 – 9405) or any other document and to perform all other acts or actions necessary to place the Bond Measure called hereby on the ballot and to conduct the Election ordered herein. This shall include, but shall not be limited to, payment to the County for costs or expenses incurred by the County in calling and conducting the Election for the Proposition as directed herein. Such costs may, to the extent legally permissible, be recovered as a cost of issuance of the Bonds if so authorized by the electors.

Section 24. The Superintendent, the Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, the President of the Board, and/or their respective designee(s), are hereby authorized and directed to make any changes to the text of the Proposition or the Bond Measure Statement referenced in Section 12 hereof and set forth in Exhibits “A” and “B,” as applicable as required to conform to any requirements of Section 1(b) of Article XIII A of the California Constitution, Proposition 39, State law or the County Registrar.

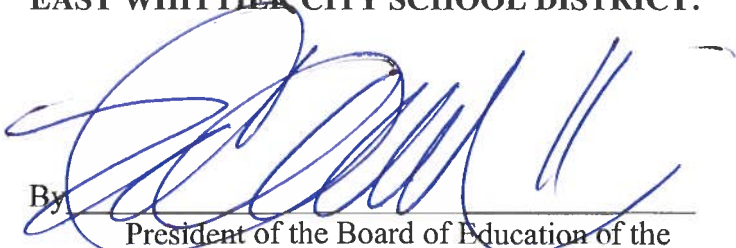
Section 25. The adoption of this Resolution, and the call and conducting of the Election, is not a “project” for purposes the California Environmental Quality Act, Division 13 (commencing with Section 21000) of the Public Resources Code (“CEQA”) but that each of the projects specified in Exhibit “A” will be accomplished in accordance with the applicable requirements of CEQA. The Clerk of the Board is authorized and directed to complete, execute and file, or arrange for filing of, a Notice of Exemption in such regard.

Section 26. The Superintendent, the Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, President of the Board, Clerk of the Board and/or their respective designee(s), District staff and District consultants are hereby authorized and directed, jointly and severally, to do any and all things and to execute and deliver any and all documents which they may deem necessary or advisable in order to give effect to and comply with the directives, terms and intent of this Resolution. Such actions heretofore taken by such officers, officials, consultants and staff are hereby ratified, confirmed and approved.

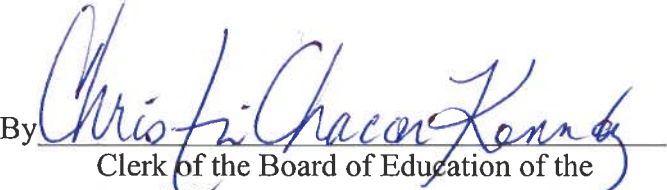
Section 27. This Resolution shall take effect upon its adoption.

ADOPTED, SIGNED AND APPROVED this 10th day of June, 2024.

EAST WHITTIER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT:

By 
President of the Board of Education of the
East Whittier City School District

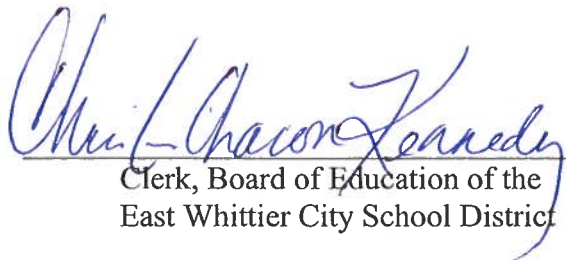
ATTEST:

By 
Clerk of the Board of Education of the
East Whittier City School District

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)

I, Christine Chacon Kennedy, Clerk of the Board of Education of the East Whittier City School District, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Education of such School District at a meeting of said Board held on the 10th day of June, 2024, of which meeting all of the members of the Board had due notice and at which a quorum thereof were present and acting throughout and for which notice and an agenda was prepared and posted as required by law and that at said meeting such resolution was adopted by the following vote:

- AYES: 5
- NOES: 0
- ABSTAIN: 0
- ABSENT: 0

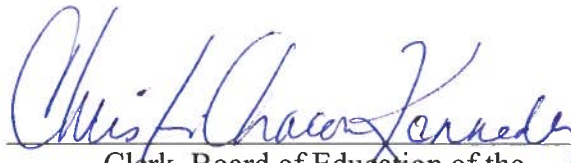


Clerk, Board of Education of the
East Whittier City School District

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)

I, Christine Chacon Kennedy, Clerk of the Board of Education of the East Whittier City School District, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of Resolution No. 25-23/24 of such Board and that the same has not been amended or repealed.

Dated this 10th day of June, 2024.



Clerk, Board of Education of the
East Whittier City School District

EXHIBIT "A"

BOND PROPOSITION OF THE
EAST WHITTIER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
(November 5, 2024):

TEXT OF BOND MEASURE

“In order to acquire, construct and reconstruct school facilities, and provide for supporting infrastructure at the existing school site of the East Whittier City School District, and in so doing increase health, safety, welfare and educational effectiveness of classrooms for students, shall the East Whittier City School District be authorized to issue Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$97,000,000, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities or the acquisition or lease of real property for schools and school facilities listed in Attachment “1” on file at the District office and herein incorporated, which Bonds shall be issued for a term not to exceed the applicable statutory maximum, which is currently twenty-five (25) years in the case of bonds issued under the authority of the Education Code and forty (40) years in the case of bonds issued under the authority of the Government Code, at an interest rate below the legal maximum, and which bonds shall be subject to the following provisions:

- (A) That proceeds of the Bonds shall be used only for the construction of school facilities and supporting infrastructure, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities pursuant to California Constitution Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) and further that the proceeds of the Bonds shall be used only for the purposes specified in California Constitution Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) (as amended by Proposition 39) and not for any other purpose, including teacher and non-construction related administrator salaries and any other school operating expenses.
- (B) That a list of the specific school facilities projects to be funded with the proceeds of the Bonds is attached hereto as Attachment “1” and, based upon the adoption of this Resolution, this Board of Education hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs in developing the school facilities listed in Attachment “1”.
- (C) That the Board of Education of the District shall conduct an annual, independent performance audit to insure that the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds have been expended only on the specific projects listed in this bond proposition.
- (D) That the Board of Education of the District shall conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds until all of those proceeds have been expended for the school facilities projects identified herein.
- (E) That the Board of Education of the District will, pursuant to the provisions of applicable State law, appoint a citizens’ oversight committee, and conduct annual independent audits (as referenced above) to assure that the Bond proceeds are

spent only on the school, facilities and classroom improvements, projects and costs identified in Attachment “1” and for no other purposes.

Repayment Projections: The tax levied to repay the Bonds is estimated to average \$6,000,000 annually anticipated to be collected through 2055 at a rate of approximately \$0.03 per \$100 / \$30 per \$100,000 of assessed value as further set out in the Tax Rate Statement provided to voters with this bond measure.

Taxpayer Protections: The following taxpayer protections are specifically provided in this Bond Measure and by law:

- Bond funds shall be used only for the school facilities projects identified herein, and **not for any other purpose.**
- As required by law, an **Independent Citizen’s Oversight Committee** shall oversee expenditures of bond funds, and related matters, and shall report to the Board of Education and communicate with the public on such expenditures.
- As required by law, the School District shall conduct **annual financial audits and performance audits** (using independent auditors) for all bond funds.
- Bond Funds **shall not be used** for teacher or non-construction related administrator salaries or other non-construction related operating expenses.”

ATTACHMENT “1”

EAST WHITTIER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL FACILITIES PROJECTS

The general obligation bonds of the East Whittier City School District (“District”) would be used to finance the design, acquisition, installation, restoration and construction of public schools and school facilities and providing facilities improvements and upgrades, and related facilities costs, including, but not limited to, financing the following: modernizing, repairing and rehabilitating existing school facilities and adding certain new school facilities to meet current health, safety and instructional standards which will improve the overall educational experience for all students in the District. Such projects include, but are not limited to, repairing and replacing leaky roofs; renovating bathroom facilities at each District school campus; and reconstruction, renovation, modernization and construction of classrooms, libraries, roofing, playgrounds, plumbing, electrical and network infrastructure, walkways, fields and related projects. Project costs for expansion of existing facilities may include, but are not limited to, some or all of the following: site preparation, infrastructure and related expenses; and construction, acquisition or lease of temporary, portable or permanent classrooms, instructional support and ancillary facilities. Project costs for furniture and equipment may include, but are not limited to, some or all of the following: desks and tables; window and floor covering; computer, media recording and presentation equipment; kitchen equipment, improvements and furnishings; science laboratory equipment; and other electronic equipment.

The following School District education facilities and educational support facilities are identified as the sites and facilities on which the bond funds may be expended:

<p style="text-align: center;">MIDDLE SCHOOLS</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">East Whittier Middle School Granda Middle School Hillview Middle School</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Ceres Elementary School Evergreen Elementary School La Colina Elementary School Laurel Elementary School Leffingwell Elementary School Mulberry Elementary School Murphy Ranch Elementary School Ocean View Elementary School Orchard Dale Elementary Scott Avenue Elementary</p>

District operations, transportation and education administration facilities and sites.

School and Educational Support Facility Project List. The items presented on the following list provide are the types of projects authorized to be financed with voter-approved bond proceeds. Specific examples included on this list are not intended to limit the broad types of projects described and authorized by this measure. The types of projects authorized are:

- Repair or replace leaky roofs
- Repair or replace deteriorating plumbing and sewer systems
- Upgrade inadequate electrical systems
- Upgrade technology infrastructure to improve student access to learning technology to help meet academic standards
- Replace outdated heating, ventilation and air-conditioning systems
- Modernize and upgrade outdated classrooms, including replacing portable classrooms, restrooms, technical education facilities, and related school facilities
- Make security improvements (including security fencing and safety and security systems), including improving pedestrian access, lighting and fencing
- Repair, renovate and upgrade auditorium and performing arts buildings, structures and supporting facilities
- Repair, renovate, upgrade and construct gymnasium buildings, structures and supporting facilities
- Improve playgrounds and playfields for school and community use
- Make energy efficiency improvements, including installing solar panels
- Replace outdated and energy inefficient windows
- Provide air-conditioning systems to classrooms that do not have them
- Increase water conservation by making landscaping and irrigation improvements
- Federal and State-mandated Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility upgrades including site access, parking, staff and student restrooms, relocation of some existing electrical devices, drinking fountains, playground equipment, etc.
- Abate and remove hazardous materials identified prior to or during construction
- Repair, replace and/or upgrade paved surfaces, turf, and other grounds to eliminate safety hazards and improve outside instructional areas
- Renovate, modernize, upgrade and construct physical education facilities

ALL DISTRICT SCHOOL SITES WHERE RENOVATION, MAJOR REPAIRS AND/OR NEW CONSTRUCTION TO BE UNDERTAKEN:

- Remove and mitigate hazardous materials (e.g. asbestos, lead, PCB, mold, mildew, etc.) where necessary.
- Improve contingencies as required to comply with existing building codes and state/federal requirements, including access requirements of the ADA.
- Provide adequate furniture and equipment for all classrooms, and spaces to be newly constructed, modernized or reconstructed.
- Acquisition of any of the facilities on this School Facilities Project List through temporary lease or lease-purchase arrangements or execute purchase option under lease for any of these authorized facilities.
- Necessary site preparation/restoration in connection with renovation or remodeling, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing, or installing irrigation, utility lines, trees and landscaping, relocating fire access roads, and acquiring any necessary easements, licenses, or rights of ways to property.
- If the Board of Education determines that replacement is more economical than rehabilitation, improvement, or renovation of existing classrooms/school facilities, in those particular cases replacement/new construction will be explored/pursued.
- Provide temporary (interim) classrooms and other school facilities as needed to accommodate students and school functions displaced during construction, including, but not limited to, relocation costs.
- The costs to demolish/remove facilities when no longer needed and the costs to restore site and utility systems after removal.
- Modernization upgrade or replacement of structures includes permanent, portable or modular structures.

Project Costs for Furnishings and Equipment

Project Costs for furnishings and equipment for some or all of the within-identified District campuses may include, but are not limited to, some or all of the following: security, safety and communication systems and equipment, storage and casework, school furniture; window, wall, and durable floor coverings (including tiles and carpeting); media recording, distribution and presentation equipment, including, but not limited to, audio systems, kitchen equipment, improvements and furnishings, fire alarm, security; science laboratory equipment; and/or other infrastructure equipment and systems.

Project costs for the above-referenced projects may include installation costs, engineering and design costs, project management/construction management costs, warranty costs, master facilities planning, state or local costs or expenses involving design, planning, site and facilities development costs and charges, environmental review(s) and proceedings, necessary supporting infrastructure costs, relocation costs and expenses, necessary contingency plans and related costs construction and completion of the aforementioned facilities projects, audit costs, direct legal costs and related costs. Project costs may also include the payment or prepayment of

existing or future lease payments and/or interim financing costs for lease of authorized facilities, property or buildings, prepayment of lease obligations for facilities purposes (including temporary classroom facilities) and payment of costs and expenses for interim financing of authorized facilities (including, but not limited to, financing delivery costs). Proceeds of the bonds may be used to pay or reimburse the District for the cost of District staff when performing work on, or necessary and incidental to, bond projects. Allowable project costs also include: costs of issuing the bonds or other securities (as authorized under California law), informational distribution costs and election costs authorized under State law.

The scope and nature of any of the specific projects described above may be altered by the District as required by unforeseen conditions that may arise during the course of design and accomplishment of the projects. In the event that a modernization or renovation project is more economical for the District to be undertaken as new construction, this bond measure authorizes land acquisition, relocation and construction and/or reconstruction, and all costs relating thereto, for said reason or, alternatively, based on other considerations deemed in the best interest of the District by the Board of Education. In addition, this measure authorizes the acquisition of real property, including necessary rights of ways or other real property interests, required to expand District facilities, to provide access to school or other District facilities, or to provide additional school or related facilities.

This School Facilities Project List describes the specific facilities and capital projects the District may finance with proceeds of the Bonds. In addition, authorized projects include reimbursements for paid project costs and paying and/or prepaying interim or previously obtained financing for the types of projects included on the project list, such as bond anticipation notes, and including payment and prepayment of lease payments relating to projects and/or equipment previously financed. Listed projects will be completed as needed at a particular school site according to Board-established priorities, and the order in which such projects appear on this School Facilities Project List is not an indication of priority for funding or completion. The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized, construction bids are awarded, and projects are completed. Certain construction funds expected from non-bond sources, including State grant funds for eligible projects, have not yet been secured. Until all project costs and funding sources are known, the Board of Education cannot determine the amount of bond proceeds available to be allocated for each project, nor guarantee that the bonds will provide sufficient funds to allow completion of all listed projects. Completion of some projects may be subject to further government approvals by State officials and boards, to local environmental review, and to input from the public. For these reasons, inclusion of a project on the School Facilities Projects List is not a guarantee that any specific project listed herein will be funded, constructed or completed by a specific date.

In preparing the foregoing School Facilities Project List, the Board of Education of the East Whittier City School District has evaluated safety, class size and information technology needs.

EXHIBIT “B”

**EAST WHITTIER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
(November 5, 2024 Bond Measure)**

Bond Measure Statement

To provide neighborhood schools that meet current safety, health, and academic standards; remove asbestos and lead pipes; fix deteriorating roofs, plumbing, electrical, ventilation; and upgrade classrooms, labs, facilities, and technology to support student achievement in science, math, reading, technology, arts, and engineering; shall East Whittier City School District's measure authorizing \$97,000,000 in bonds at legal rates be adopted, levying 3 cents per \$100 assessed value (\$6,000,000 annually) while bonds are outstanding, with independent citizen oversight, all money locally-controlled?

Bonds - Yes

Bonds – No

TAX RATE STATEMENT

EAST WHITTIER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT - General Obligation Bond Election of November 5, 2024

MEASURE ____

As shown in the attached official ballot, an election is being held in the East Whittier City School District (“District”) on November 5, 2024, for the purpose of submitting to the registered voters within the District the question of whether the District shall issue and sell bonds in an amount not to exceed \$97,000,000 for the purpose of providing funds for the specified school facilities and school projects as set forth in the resolution of the District calling such bond election. This measure will authorize a tax sufficient for payment of interest on, and redemption of, the bonds. The bonds shall bear interest at a rate, or rates, to be established at such time as the bonds are sold, in one or more series, at fixed or variable interest rates not to exceed the maximum applicable statutory rate for such bonds. If such bonds are authorized and sold, the principal thereof and the interest thereon are a general obligation of the District, payable from the proceeds of *ad valorem* property taxes on taxable real property located within the District.

The following information is submitted in compliance with California Elections Code Sections 9401 through 9405 based on estimates of assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement:

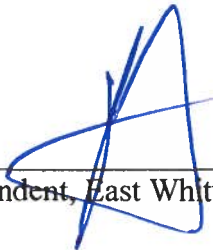
- (a) The best estimate from official sources of the average annual tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue during the entire duration of the bond debt service (repayment of the bonds) based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, which is a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction or other demonstrable factors, is \$0.03 per \$100 (\$30 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation. The final fiscal year in which such tax is anticipated to be collected is 2054-2055.
- (b) The best estimate from official sources of the highest tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund such bond issue(s) based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, which is a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction or other demonstrable factors, is \$0.03 per \$100 (\$30 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation. It is estimated that this tax rate would apply in the 2025-2026 tax/fiscal year.
- (c) The best estimate of the total debt service, including principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold is \$188,361,941.

Voters should note that these estimated tax rates are based on the *assessed value* of taxable property within the District as shown on the official rolls of Los Angeles County, *not* on the property’s market value. In addition, taxpayers eligible for a property tax exemption, such as the homeowner’s exemption, will be taxed at a lower effective rate than described above. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the

District as determined by the Los Angeles County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills and/or tax advisors to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

Attention of all voters is directed to the fact that these estimates are based on assumptions and projections derived from information currently available and obtained from official sources. The actual tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary depending on the timing of any bond sales, the amount of bonds sold, the maturities of the bonds issued and sold, market interest rates at the time of each sale of bonds and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The figures provided above are estimations based on the factors noted herein and are not maximum limitations. The timing of the bond sales and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be governed by the needs of the District. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each such sale. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the Los Angeles County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

Dated: June 10, 2024



Superintendent, East Whittier City School District

TO ORDER BIENNIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTION

Order of Election for the East Whittier City School District of Los Angeles County, California.

RESOLUTION ORDERING BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBER ELECTION RESOLUTION NO. 15-23/24

RESOLVED that pursuant to Education Code (EC) §§5000-5030, the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools (County Superintendent) is hereby ORDERED to call an election for the purpose, and in accordance with the designations contained in the following specifications of the Election Order made under the authority of EC §5302, §5304, and §5322.

SPECIFICATIONS OF THE ELECTION ORDER

The election shall be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024. The polling hours shall be from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on multiple days at the Voting Centers leading up to Election Day.

The purpose of the election is to submit to the voters of the district the question of whether two members shall be elected to the Board of Education of the East Whittier City School District.

The Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (Registrar-Recorder) will perform all the duties incident to the preparation for and holding of the above-mentioned election. The East Whittier City School District will pay the costs of the election. If any agency holds an election on November 5, 2024, the East Whittier City School District shall pay its pro rata share pertaining to the conduct of this election and shall be under the provisions of the appropriate sections of the Education and Election Codes.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of the district is hereby directed to furnish two copies of this order to the County Superintendent not less than 130 days prior to the date set for the election.

The foregoing Resolution and Order was adopted and affirmed by the Board of Education of East Whittier City School District of Los Angeles County, being the Board authorized by law to make the designations contained therein, by formal vote as follows:

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0
Signed: Chae L. Chae Kennedy
Clerk of the Board of Education

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct transcript of a resolution duly adopted by the Board of Education named therein at a duly constituted meeting of the said Board of Education, held on April 15, 2024, as it appears upon the minutes of the said meeting on April 15, 2024.

Signed: Chae L. Chae Kennedy
Clerk of the Board of Education

REGISTRAR-RECORDER INFORMATION

Public Notice Election Announcement
Listing of two (2) newspapers: Whittier Daily Newspaper
The Los Angeles Times

BEFORE THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
EAST WHITTIER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Los Angeles County, California

**Candidate's Statement for Board Election
Year 2024**

RESOLUTION NO. 22-23/24

WHEREAS, pursuant to Education Code (EC) §5000, Biennial Governing Board Member election will be held on November 5, 2024; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with EC §5340, such governing board elections are required to be consolidated; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code Section 13307 permits a local agency to require payment in advance of each candidate's pro rata share of the printing, handling, and mailing costs of their candidate statement as a condition of having it included in the voter's sample ballot; and

WHEREAS, a district has the option of increasing the word limit for these statements from 200 to 400.

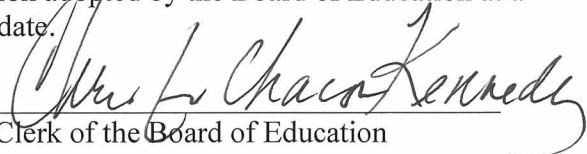
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the East Whittier City School District hereby proclaims that candidates must make payment of the maximum estimated cost at the time of filing; and that 200 words is the maximum any Candidate's Statement may contain.

ADOPTED this 15th day of April 2024 by the East Whittier City School District Board of Education in Whittier, California.

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Absent: 0

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

I, Christine Chacon Kennedy, Clerk of the Board of Education, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Education at a regularly called and conducted meeting held on said date.


Clerk of the Board of Education