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BALLOT MEASURE QUESTION Jurisdiction Name*: New Haven Unified School District Election Date*: November 5, 2024 Note: The information as it appears within the text box will be printed on the ballot and voter guide. Insert ballot question text here*: New Haven Unified School District Classroom, Science Lab, Student Safety Measure. To repair/upgrade local schools, including classrooms/ labs for science, technology, engineering, math, reading/ writing; improving campus safety/security; replacing aging roofs, heating/cooling systems, restrooms/plumbing, shall New Hayen Unified School District's measure authorizing \$272,000,000 in bonds at legal rates be adopted, at average levies of \$60 per \$100,000 assessed value (approximately \$17,200,000 annually) while bonds are outstanding, with independent oversight, audits, no funds for administrator salaries, and funds used locally? TYPE OF MEASURE* PERCENTAGE NEEDED TO PASS* 50% + 1 ☐ Regular Measure ☐ Parcel Tax 66.6667% ■ Bond Measure Charter Amendment Other: 55% **FULL-TEXT OPTION***

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Reg. of Voters County Counsel's Impartial analysis of Measure N

ANALYSIS BY THE COUNTY COUNSEL FOR THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA OF A NEW HAVEN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOND MEASURE

Measure N ("Measure"), a New Haven Unified School District ("District") bond measure, seeks voter approval to authorize the District to issue and sell bonds of up to \$272,000,000 in aggregate principal amount at interest rates within the legal limits.

Pursuant to provisions of the California Constitution and the California Education Code, if 55% of those who vote on the Measure vote "yes," the District will be authorized to issue bonds in the amount noted above. Approval of this Measure will authorize a levy on the assessed value of taxable property within the District by an amount needed to pay the principal and interest on these bonds in each year that the bonds are outstanding.

If approved, the District's best estimate of the tax rates required to be levied to fund the bond issue is as follows: the average annual tax rate estimate and the highest tax rate estimate are \$60 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. The final fiscal year anticipated to collect the tax is 2057/58, and the total debt service estimate to repay all of the bonds (including principal and interest) is \$566,500,000.

California Education Code Section 15100 restricts the use of the proceeds from the bond sale to items such as building school buildings, improving school grounds, and supplying school buildings and grounds with equipment. In addition, proceeds may only be used for the projects listed in the Measure and not for any other purpose, such as teacher and administrator salaries.

This Measure provides that its proceeds will fund projects set forth in the full text of the Measure printed in this sample ballot that include, among others: repairing and upgrading local schools, including classrooms and labs for science, technology, engineering, math, and reading and writing; improving campus safety and security; and replacing aging roofs, heating and cooling systems, and restrooms and plumbing.

Certain accountability measures apply, such as establishing an account to deposit the proceeds from the sale of the bonds. To ensure that the proceeds are spent only for the projects listed in the Measure, it provides for an independent citizens' oversight committee, an annual independent performance audit, and an annual financial audit. Finally, the Superintendent shall file a report no later than January 1 of each year after the sale of the first series of bonds, stating the amount of the bond proceeds received and expended and the status of any project funded from the proceeds.

This Measure is placed on the ballot by the governing board of the District.

DONNA R. ZIEGLER County Counsel

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure N, which is printed in full in this sample ballot pamphlet. If you desire an additional copy of the measure, please call the Elections Official's office at (510) 272-6933 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you. You may also access the full text of the measure on the Alameda County website at the following address: www.acvote.org.



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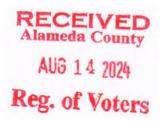
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Measure N

Vote YES on to support quality education and student safety in New Haven Unified School District.

Our local schools serving Union City and South Hayward provide quality instruction that prepares students for success in college and careers.

Most classrooms, science labs, and school facilities were built over 50 years ago and need critical and ongoing repairs and upgrades. James Logan High School, the only comprehensive public high school serving our community, is over 60 years old.

Aging classrooms and science labs need updates to keep up with educational and safety standards.

Voting Yes on _ provides locally controlled funding to repair and upgrade local schools. These funds cannot be taken away by the State. Independent oversight and annual audits ensure funds are spent as promised.

Specifically, voting Yes on will: Measure N

- · Update classrooms and labs for math, science, technology, engineering, reading, and writing instruction
- · Replace deteriorating roofs, plumbing, electrical systems, restrooms, heating and cooling systems
- Modernize facilities to prepare students for college and careers
- Repair and upgrade classrooms and science labs for future-ready instruction
- Improve student health, safety, and campus security

Yes on helps our schools qualify for millions in state matching money that will otherwise go to other schools.

Measure _ requires strict fiscal accountability and local control:

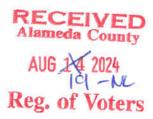
- All funds must stay local to improve local schools and cannot be taken by the State
- An independent oversight committee, annual audits and public spending disclosure are required
- No funds can be used for administrator salaries

• The measure ensures large property owners and businesses pay their fair share measure N

Please join local teachers, parents, business and community leaders in voting **Yes on** <u>for quality education and student safety</u> in New Haven Unified School District.

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[New Haven USD - Rebuttal to the Argument in Favor of Measure N]



Vote NO on Measure N. It's a <u>HUGE tax increase</u> just on Union City and south Hayward costing a <u>Half</u> BILLION Dollars!

The Bay Area's high cost of living already is *unbearable*. Grocery, gas, and electric bills are skyrocketing. Many families already are struggling. *Measure N would add to that* heavy burden.

Measure N is so extremely expensive that it is <u>barely legal</u>. California law limits the size of a school bond measure to "\$60 per \$100,000," so that working families won't be overtaxed. (Education Code sec. 15270.) Look at Measure N's ballot question. Measure N is at the <u>legal maximum</u> ("\$60"). It's too much!

If you own an \$800,000 home, you're already paying \$1,125.60 per year just to re-pay existing New Haven school bonds. Measure N will add another \$480 per year to your property tax bill. Our neighbors can't afford it.

Measure N fails on "accountability" to the public:

- Wall Street bankers and investors skim off MOST of the money (52 percent, nearly \$300 million!) as "interest charges."
- The "project list" is too vague. The category "Make health, safety and security improvements" gives free license to bureaucrats to spend your money on just about anything they want.
- Beware of "routine maintenance" disguised as "bond projects."
- The so-called "citizens' oversight committee" is not really "independent," as required by law. The School Board and Administrators control its bylaws.

Tell New Haven USD to come back with a *smaller* bond measure with *better* "accountability." One that doesn't <u>overtax</u> working families.

Say "NO," "Nada," and "Not Now" to "Measure N"!



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Vote NO on Measure N. Stop this Half Billion Dollar Tax Increase!

THE FACTS:

In 2003, New Haven Unified School District voters approved a \$120,000,000 bond measure, followed by another \$125,000,000 in 2014. We'll be paying off those bonds until the year 2049.

Now, NHUSD wants more of your money.

Measure N is a NEW \$566,500,000.00 property tax over 33 years. This taxes New Haven *ANOTHER* \$17,000,000.00 every year!

This means, on average, each and every annual residential property tax bill will INCREASE by §661 until 2058.

Housing costs go up! Rents will be raised! Measure N provides NO SENIOR, disabled or low-income EXEMPTIONS!

<u>Measure N is unnecessary</u>. NHUSD student enrollment has fallen more than 10 percent since 2015. The State of California just inspected <u>all</u> New Haven school buildings and found them to be in "Exemplary" or "Good" condition with <u>all</u> systems rated "Good." See the 2023 State Accountability Report Cards.

The Federal and State government gave NHUSD nearly \$27,200,000 in COVID funds.

<u>Measure N is a "blank check"</u> for bureaucrats to spend <u>anywhere</u> within the District. We read the fine print. Measure N contains <u>NO specific, required projects</u>.

Schools get just 48% of the \$566,500,000.00 pot. Rich bondholders get most of the money (52%). That's \$294,500,000.00 drained from our pockets directly to Wall Street bankers and investors.

NHUSD has no business engaging in a RISKY over leveraging of our homes with this MASSIVE DEBT!

So-called "accountability requirements" are ineffective. Don't be misled by purported "oversight" committee members who are too friendly to NHUSD. The School Board appoints members who aren't really "independent," like aspiring politicians, employees of other school districts, retired school administrators, and other allies of the School Board.

A cabal of construction industry and Wall Street "snake oil" salesmen are trying to fool New Haven voters. Don't take their bait.

Vote NO!

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Rebuttal to the Argument Against Measure N

New Haven Unified School District Election Date: November 5, 2024 Word Count: 250/250



The lone opponent doesn't live in our school district and doesn't understand the needs of our schools. The opponent ignores important FACTS:

<u>FACT</u>: Most of our classrooms, science labs and school facilities are over 50 years old and need urgent repairs and upgrades. Outdated and deteriorating classrooms impact student learning and safety.

<u>FACT</u>: Over the past two decades, NHUSD has implemented a comprehensive plan to upgrade aging classrooms and schools. While some schools have been upgraded, others have not. Outdated classrooms and labs need to be updated for science, technology, engineering and math instruction. Schools have deteriorating sewers, plumbing, roofing, electrical, heating and ventilation systems. Voting YES on Measure N is the next step to help ensure all students learn in safe and up-to-date classrooms.

<u>FACT:</u> Without Measure N, **NHUSD** has no funding to repair our schools. Local bonds are the only realistic funding source for school districts to upgrade school facilities.

<u>FACT:</u> Voting **Yes on Measure N** helps bring **our fair share of state matching funds to NHUSD**. If Measure N does not pass, our share of state funds goes to schools in other communities.

<u>FACT:</u> Measure N's mandatory fiscal accountability protections ensure funds are spent properly, only for projects on the legally-binding project list. An independent oversight committee of local residents must review all spending and report their findings to the community. No funds can be used for administrators' salaries or taken away by the State.

Don't be misled. Join respected local leaders and vote YES on Measure N for NHUSD students.



RESOLUTION NO. 080-2324

Reg. of Voters

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
NEW HAVEN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ORDERING AN ELECTION
TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION
BONDS, ESTABLISHING SPECIFICATIONS OF THE ELECTION
ORDER, AND REQUESTING CONSOLIDATION WITH OTHER
ELECTIONS OCCURRING ON NOVEMBER 5, 2024

WHEREAS, the New Haven Unified School District (the "District") in Alameda County (the "County"), State of California (the "State"), is committed to providing quality education to its students; and

WHEREAS, the District serves more than 10,000 students in 12 schools in Union City and part of South Hayward; and

WHEREAS, most District schools were built over 50 years ago, and Logan High School, the District's only comprehensive public high school, is over 60 years old; and

WHEREAS, the District's facilities are in need of construction and modernization, including for repairs, upgrades and safety improvements in order to provide the education that students deserve in a safe and modern environment; and

WHEREAS, the State does not provide dedicated funding for the repair and upgrade of school facilities, and the Board of Education of the District (the "Board") believes a local funding source is needed to enable the District to provide school facilities for its present and future students; and

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the Board, it is advisable to call an election, submitting to voters in the District the question of whether bonds of the District shall be issued and sold for the purpose of financing the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities in the District; and

WHEREAS, the District is authorized, upon a two-thirds vote of the Board, to pursue the authorization and issuance of bonds by a 55% vote of the electorate on the question of whether bonds of the District shall be issued and sold for specified purposes, under Article XIIIA Section 1 paragraph (b) of the California Constitution ("Article XIIIA") and under Education Code Section 15264 et seq. (the "Act"); and

WHEREAS, under the Act, the election may be ordered at a primary or general election, a regularly scheduled local election at which all of the electors of the District are entitled to vote, or a statewide special election; and

WHEREAS, under Section 10403 *et seq.* of the Elections Code, it is appropriate for the Board to request consolidation of the election with any and all other elections to be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, the date of the statewide general election, and to request the County Registrar of Voters (the "County Registrar") to perform certain election services for the District; and

WHEREAS, in connection with the calling of a bond election and in accordance with Education Code Section 15100 subparagraph (c), the Board has obtained reasonable and informed projections of assessed property valuations that take into consideration projections of assessed property valuations made by the County assessor; and

WHEREAS, United States Income Tax Regulations section 1.150-2 provides generally that proceeds of tax-exempt debt are not deemed to be expended when such proceeds are used for reimbursement of expenditures made prior to the date of issuance of such debt unless certain procedures are followed, one of which is a requirement that (with certain exceptions), prior to the payment of any such expenditure, the issuer declares an intention to reimburse such expenditure; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes at this time to take the necessary actions to declare its official intent to reimburse the expenditures referenced herein from the proceeds of bonds issued pursuant to voter authorization;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE NEW HAVEN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The foregoing recitals are true and correct.

Section 2. Call for Election. The Board hereby orders an election and submits to the electors of the District the question of whether general obligation bonds of the District shall be issued and sold in a maximum principal amount of \$272,000,000 (the "Bonds") for the purposes described in the ballot measure approved under Section 3 and attached hereto as <u>Appendix A</u> and <u>Appendix B</u> and paying all costs incident thereto. This Resolution constitutes the order of the District to call such election and shall constitute the "specifications of the election order" pursuant to Education Code Section 5322.

Section 3. Election Date. The date of the election shall be November 5, 2024, and such bond election shall be held solely within the boundaries of the District.

Section 4. Purpose of Election; Ballot Measure. The purpose of the election shall be for the voters in the District to vote on a bond measure, the full text of which is attached hereto as <u>Appendix A</u> (the "Full Text of the Measure"), containing the question of whether the District shall issue the Bonds for the purposes stated therein, together with the accountability requirements of Article XIIIA and the requirements of Section 15272 of the Act. The Full Text of the Measure, which commences with the heading "FINDINGS" and includes all of the text thereafter on <u>Appendix A</u>, shall be printed in the voter information pamphlet provided to voters, with such measure designation as is assigned to the measure.

As required by Education Code Section 5322 and Elections Code Section 13247, the abbreviated form of the measure to appear on the ballot is attached hereto as Appendix B.

The Superintendent is hereby separately authorized and directed to make any changes to the text of the full text and/or abbreviated measure as described herein to conform to any requirements of Article XIIIA, the Act or the County Registrar.

Section 5. Authority for Election. The authority for ordering the election is contained in Section 15264 *et. seq.* of the Act and Section 1 paragraph (b) subsection (3) of Article XIIIA. The authority for the specification of this election order is contained in Section 5322 of the Education Code.

Section 6. Proceeds for School Facilities Projects. The Board certifies that the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds will be used only for the purposes specified in Section 1(b)(3) of Article XIII A and as further specified in <u>Appendix A</u>, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses. Further, as required by Article XIIIA, 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 Appendix A.

Section 7. Covenants of the Board upon Approval of the Bonds by the Electorate; Accountability Measures. As required by Article XIIIA, Section 15278 of the Act, and Government Code Section 53410, in the event 55% of the voters voting in the District approve of the Bonds, the Board shall:

- (a) conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the funds have been expended only on the projects listed in Appendix A;
- (b) 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 listed in Appendix A;
- (c) establish and appoint members to an independent citizens' oversight committee in accordance with Sections 15278, 15280, and 15282 of the Act;
- (d) apply the Bond proceeds only to the specific purposes stated in the ballot proposition;
- (e) cause the creation of accounts into which bond proceeds shall be deposited; and
- (f) cause the preparation of an annual report pursuant to Government Code Sections 53410 and 53411.

Section 8. Statement Regarding State Matching Funds. The District anticipates that matching funds from the State of California, if available, may be required to complete a portion of the projects identified in <u>Appendix A</u>. As required pursuant to Education Code Section 15122.5, the following statement shall appear on the ballot: "Approval of this measure does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects that are the subject of bonds under this measure will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by this measure. The District's proposal for the project or projects described below may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which, if available, could be subject to appropriation

by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure."

Section 9. No Teacher or Administrator Salaries. Proceeds from the sale of the general obligation bonds authorized by the bond measure shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities pursuant to Article XIIIA and the Act, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses.

Section 10. Delivery of this Resolution. The Clerk of the Board is hereby directed to send a copy of this Resolution to (1) the County Superintendent of Schools, (2) the County Registrar, and (3) the Clerk of the County Board of Supervisors. Pursuant to Education Code Section 5322, the Resolution shall be received by the County Registrar no later than 88 days prior to the election date, unless otherwise permitted by law.

The County Registrar is hereby requested to print the full text of the ballot measure in the ballot materials as it appears on <u>Appendix A</u>, and to provide all required notices of the election and other notices related thereto.

Section 11. Consolidation of Election; Request to Provide Services. The County Registrar and the County Board of Supervisors are hereby requested to consolidate the election ordered hereby with any and all other elections to be held on November 5, 2024, within the District.

Pursuant to Section 5303 of the Education Code and Section 10002 of the Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors of the County 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 the County in full upon presentation of a bill from the County, such services to include the publication of a formal Notice of School Bond Election and the mailing of the sample ballot and tax rate statement (described in Section 9401 of the Elections Code).

Section 12. Ballot Arguments. As provided in Elections Code Section 9501, any and all members of this Board are hereby authorized to act as an author of any ballot argument prepared in connection with the election, including a rebuttal argument.

Section 13. Tax Rate Statement. Pursuant to Elections Code Section 9400 and following, a tax rate statement has been prepared in the form attached hereto as <u>Appendix C</u>, which form of Tax Rate Statement is hereby approved for inclusion in the sample ballot. The President of the Board, the Superintendent, or any written designee of the foregoing, are hereby authorized to finalize and execute the tax rate statement, and to file said statement with the County Registrar, in accordance with Section 10 hereof.

Section 14. Maturity Limit of Bonds. The Bonds may be issued in series by the District from time to time, and each series of Bonds shall mature not more than the legal limit at the time of such issuance thereof. The Bonds shall be issued under the Act, under the provisions of Section 53506 *et seq.* of the Government Code, or under any other provision of law authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds by school districts.

Section 15. Estimates Included in Ballot Materials. The measure and related tax rate statement authorized by this Resolution includes certain information that is based

upon reasonable assumptions and current expectations, which may include information with respect to the amount of money required to repay issued bonds, the estimated rate of the approved tax per \$100,000 of assessed valuation, and the period through which the proposed tax supporting bond repayment will be levied and collected. Any such estimates have been provided by the District, in good faith, based upon information currently available to the District, but depend on numerous variables which are subject to variation and change over the term of the District's overall facilities and bond financing plan.

The estimates and projections set forth above shall not restrict the tax imposed in accordance with the bond measure. Such estimates and approximations are not intended by the Board to be additional restrictions on the District's bond program and bond issuances and, other than the total principal amount of bonds authorized to be issued by the bond measure, shall not represent legal maximums or additional limitations on bond issuance.

District voters have previously approved bond measures pursuant to which the District has issued bonds that are still outstanding, in part. The tax rate for the previous measures totaled \$140.70 per \$100,000 of assessed value for fiscal year 2023-24. The District may apply for the waiver of bonding capacity with the California Department of Education prior to the issuance of bonds issued pursuant to a successful bond measure.

Section 16. Reimbursement. The District hereby declares that it may pay certain costs of the projects listed in <u>Appendix A</u> prior to the date of issuance of bonds and, in such case, intends to use a portion of the proceeds of bonds for reimbursement of expenditures for the projects that are paid before the date of issuance of bonds.

Section 17. Official Actions. The President of the Board, the Superintendent of the District, the Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, or any written designee of the foregoing, are hereby separately authorized and directed to execute and deliver to County officials any directions, requisitions or other writings, and to make any changes to the texts of the measure as described herein and in the tax rate statement, to conform to any legal requirements or the County Registrar, in order to cause the election to be held and conducted in the District.

Section 18. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect on and after its adoption.

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The foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Board of Education of the New Haven Unified School District of Alameda County, being the Board authorized by law to make the designations therein contained, by the following vote, on June 18, 2024.

Adopted by t	he following votes:
AYES:	Gonzales, Hernandez, Kumar, Nishihira, Rafay
NOES:	
ABSENT:	
ABSTAIN:	
Attest:	President of the Board
Ser	retary to the Board

APPENDIX A

Alameda County
JUN 21 2024
Reg. of Voters

FULL TEXT OF BOND MEASURE

The full text of bond measure to be printed in the election material begins below the following line.

Letter designation of measure shall be assigned and input by the County Registrar.

FINDINGS

New Haven Unified School District (the "District") serves students in Union City and part of South Hayward, educating more than 10,000 students in 12 schools. Most District schools were built over 50 years ago, and Logan High School, the District's only comprehensive public high school, is over 60 years old. Aging classrooms and labs need updates to meet current educations and safety standards.

The State of California does not provide dedicated funding for the repair and upgrade of school facilities, so some improvements must be funded locally. The Board of Education of the District (the "Board") believes that a locally controlled funding from a school improvement bond measure could help to complete high priority facility repairs and upgrades.

A school improvement bond measure could update classrooms and labs, increase campus security and student health and safety, replace deteriorating roofs, plumbing, electrical systems, restrooms and heating and cooling systems. The measure includes fiscal accountability requirements, including an independent citizens' oversight committee and annual audits.

BOND AUTHORIZATION

By approval of this measure by at least 55% of the registered voters voting on the measure, the District will be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$272,000,000 in aggregate principal amount, at interest rates not to exceed legal limits and to provide financing for the specific types of school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List included below, subject to all the accountability requirements specified below.

ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS

The provisions in this section are specifically included in this measure in order that the voters and taxpayers in the District may be assured that their money will be spent wisely. Expenditures to address specific facilities needs of the District will be in compliance with the requirements of Article XIIIA, Section 1(b)(3), of the State Constitution and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (codified at Education Code Sections 15264 and following.)

The Bonds may be issued under the provisions of the California Education Code (starting at Section 15100), under the provisions of the California Government Code (starting at Section 53506), or under any other provision of law authorizing the issuance

of general obligation bonds by school districts. The Bonds may be issued in series by the District, from time to time, and each series of Bonds shall mature within the legal limitations set forth in the applicable law under which the Bonds are issued.

Evaluation of Needs. The Board has identified detailed facilities needs of the District, and has determined which projects to finance from a local bond. The Board hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction, enrollment growth, and information technology needs in developing the Bond Project List described below.

Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee. Following approval of this measure, the Board will establish an independent citizens' oversight committee, under Education Code Sections 15278 and following, to ensure bond proceeds are expended only on the types of school facilities projects listed below. The committee will be established within 60 days of the date when the results of the election appear in the minutes of the Board.

Performance Audits. The Board will conduct annual, independent performance audits to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the school facilities projects listed below.

Financial Audits. The Board will conduct annual, independent financial audits of the bond proceeds until all of those proceeds have been spent for the school facilities projects listed below.

Government Code Accountability Requirements. As required by Section 53410 of the Government Code, (1) the specific purpose of the bonds is set forth in this Full Text of the Measure, (2) the proceeds from the sale of the bonds will be used only for the purposes specified in this measure, and not for any other purpose, (3) the proceeds of the bonds, when and if issued, will be deposited into a building fund to be held by the Alameda County Treasurer, as required by the Education Code, and (4) the Superintendent of the District shall cause an annual report to be filed with the Board of the District not later than January 1 of each year, which report shall contain pertinent information regarding the amount of funds collected and expended, as well as the status of the projects listed in this measure, as required by Sections 53410 and 53411 of the Government Code.

NO TEACHER OR ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES

Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure shall be used only for the purposes specified in Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3), specifically the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, and the acquisition or lease of school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses.

STATE MATCHING FUNDS

The following statement is included in this measure pursuant to Education Code Section 15122.5: Approval of this measure does not guarantee that the proposed projects that are the subject of bonds under this measure will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by this measure. The District's proposal for the projects described below may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which, if available, could be subject to

appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure.

INFORMATION ABOUT ESTIMATES AND PROJECTIONS INCLUDED IN BALLOT

Voters are informed that any estimates or projections in the bond measure or ballot materials, including relating to estimated tax rates, the duration of issued bonds and related tax levies and collections are provided as informational only. Such amounts are estimates and are not maximum amounts or limitations on the terms of the bonds, the tax rate or duration of the tax supporting repayment of issued bonds. Such estimates depend on numerous variables which are subject to variation and change over the term of the District's overall facilities and bond financing plan, including but not limited to the amount of bonds issued and outstanding at any one time, the interest rates applicable to issued bonds, market conditions at the time of sale of the bonds, when bonds mature, timing of project needs and changes in assessed valuations in the District. As such, while such estimates and approximations are provided based on information currently available to the District and its current expectations, such estimates and approximations are not limitations and are not binding upon the District. In addition, the abbreviated and condensed statement of the bond measure presented to voters which is subject to a word count limitation imposed by State law does not limit the scope and complete meaning of the measure provided in this Full Text of Bond Measure and related ballot materials.

BOND PROJECT LIST

<u>Scope of Projects</u>. Bond proceeds will be expended on the modernization, renovation, expansion, acquisition, construction/reconstruction, rehabilitation, and/or replacement of school facilities of the District, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, at all current and future sites and properties.

<u>School Facility Project List.</u> The items presented on the following list provide the types of school facilities projects authorized to be financed with voter-approved bond proceeds. Specific examples included on this list are not intended to limit the types of projects described and authorized by this measure. The following types of projects are authorized at all existing sites of the District and all sites that may be acquired by the District in the future:

- Construct, modernize, renovate, replace and/or expand classrooms, restrooms, labs, multi-purpose rooms, kitchens, cafeterias and food preparation areas, and other school facilities, including providing updated furnishings and equipment
- Reconstruct and upgrade Logan High School, including the renovation and repair of classrooms and science labs
- Upgrade security and safety systems, including fire alarms, security cameras, fencing and security systems
- Construct and update parking and drop off areas to improve campus traffic and safety
- Construct, repair, replace and/or upgrade paved surfaces, turf, fields, courts, grounds and other outdoor areas, including playgrounds, shade structures, lighting and landscaping improvements, including irrigation
- Replace aging portables with permanent classrooms

- Improve, and upgrade technology infrastructure
- Make health, safety and security improvements
- Repair or replace roofs, heating, ventilation and air-conditioning systems
- · Make energy sustainability upgrades
- Make accessibility upgrades
- Construct, repair or replace plumbing, electrical, sewer, and water systems

Incidental Expenses. Each of the bond projects described in this Bond Project List include the costs of furnishing and equipping such facilities, and all costs which are incidental but directly related to the types of projects described above. Examples of incidental costs include, but are not limited to: costs of design, engineering, architect and other professional services, facilities assessments, inspections, site preparation, utilities, landscaping, painting, bond project construction management, administration and other planning and permitting, legal, accounting and similar costs; independent annual financial and performance audits; a customary construction contingency; abatement, demolition and disposal of existing structures; the costs of interim housing and storage during construction including relocation and construction costs incurred relating to interim facilities; the preparation or restoration of construction, renovation or remodeling; rental or construction of storage facilities and other space on an interim basis for materials and other equipment and furnishings displaced during construction; costs of relocating facilities and equipment as needed in connection with the projects; interim classrooms and facilities for students, administrators, and school functions, including modular facilities; federal and state-mandated safety upgrades; addressing unforeseen conditions revealed by construction/modernization and other necessary improvements required to comply with existing building codes, including the Field Act; access requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act; and costs of the election; bond issuance costs; and project administration during the duration of such projects, as permitted by law.

Furnishing and Equipping. Each project is assumed to include its share of furniture, fixtures. equipment. architectural, engineering, and similar planning program/project management, staff training expenses and a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs. In addition to the listed projects stated above, the list also includes the acquisition of a variety of instructional, maintenance and operational equipment, including the reduction or retirement of outstanding lease obligations and interim funding incurred to advance fund projects from the list; installation of signage and fencing, payment of the costs of preparation of all facility planning, facility studies, assessment reviews, facility master plan preparation and updates, environmental studies (including environmental investigation, remediation and monitoring), design and construction documentation, and temporary housing of dislocated District activities caused by construction projects. The upgrading of technology infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, computers, projectors, portable interface devices, servers, switches, routers, modules, sound projection systems, printers, digital white boards, document projectors, telephone system, call manager and network security/firewall, wireless technology systems and other miscellaneous equipment.

Alternations to Scope; Acquisition of Real Property. The scope and nature of any of the specific projects described above may be altered by the District as required by conditions that may arise during the course of design and construction. In the event that a

modernization or renovation project is more economical for or otherwise determined by the Board to be in the best interests of the District to be undertaken as new construction, this bond measure authorizes said new construction including land acquisition, relocation and construction at a new or alternative site, and/or demolition and reconstruction and/or repurposing on the original site, including an expanded site, and all costs relating thereto. For any project involving rehabilitation or renovation of a building or the major portion of a building, the District shall be authorized to proceed with new construction instead, if the Board determines that replacement and new construction is more economically practical than rehabilitation and renovation, considering the building's age, condition, expected remaining life, and other relevant factors.

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.

Interim Financing Included; Joint Use Projects Authorized. Authorized projects include paying and/or prepaying interim or previously obtained financing for the types of projects included on the Bond Project List, such as bond anticipation notes, and includes prepayment of lease payments to acquire title to facilities and/or equipment previously financed. Projects may also be undertaken on a joint use basis with other public entities.

Bond Project List Not in Order of Priority; Board Determines Prioritization. Approval of this bond measure does not guarantee that the proposed projects will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by the measure. The District's capital needs currently exceed the amount of bonds the voters are being asked to authorize. The order in which particular projects are listed is not intended to suggest priority for funding or completion, and itemization of projects in the list above does not guarantee that all such projects will be undertaken. Project priorities will be determined by the Board. The ability of the District to undertake and complete the listed projects is subject to numerous variables including the adequacy and availability of sufficient funding sources. The District is unable to anticipate all unforeseen circumstances which may prevent some of the projects listed above from being undertaken or completed.

Interpretation. The terms of this bond measure and the words used in the Bond Project List shall be interpreted broadly to effect the purpose of providing broad and clear authority for the officers and employees of the District to provide for the school facilities projects the District proposes to finance with the proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition within the authority provided by law, including Article XIIIA, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, Education Code Section 15000 *et seq.* and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000. Words used in the Bond Project List such as repair, improve, upgrade, expand, modernize, renovate, and reconfigure are used to describe school facilities projects in plain English but are not intended to expand the nature of such projects beyond what is authorized by law. As such, in accordance with legal requirements, the Bond Project List does not authorize, and shall not be interpreted to authorize, expending proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition for current maintenance, operation or repairs.

<u>Severability</u>. The Board hereby declares, and the voters by approving this Bond Measure concur, that every section and part of this bond proposition has independent value, and the Board and the voters would have adopted each provision hereof regardless of every other provision hereof. Upon approval of this measure by the voters, should any part be

found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid for any reason, all remaining parts
hereof shall remain in full force and effect to the fullest extent allowed by law, and to this
end the provisions of this bond measure are severable.

The Full Text of Measure ends at the above line.

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APPENDIX B

ABBREVIATED FORM OF BOND MEASURE

New Haven Unified School District Classroom, Science Lab, Student Safety Measure. To repair/ upgrade local schools, including classrooms/ labs for science, technology, engineering, math, reading/ writing; improving campus safety/ security; replacing aging roofs, heating/ cooling systems, restrooms/ plumbing, shall New Haven Unified School District's measure authorizing \$272,000,000 in bonds at legal rates be adopted, at average levies of \$60 per \$100,000 assessed value (approximately \$17,200,000 annually) while bonds are outstanding, with independent oversight, audits, no funds for administrator salaries, and funds used locally?

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APPENDIX C

TAX RATE STATEMENT

Reg. of Voters

An election will be held in the New Haven Unified School District (the "District") on November 5, 2024, to authorize the sale of up to \$272,000,000 in general obligation bonds. The following information is submitted in compliance with Sections 9400-9404 of the Elections Code of the State of California. Such information is based upon the best estimates and projections presently available from official sources, upon experience within the District, and other demonstrable factors.

Based upon the foregoing and projections of the District's assessed valuation, the following information is provided:

- 1. The best estimate of the average annual tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$60 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. It is currently expected that the tax will be collected until fiscal year 2057-58.
- 2. The best estimate of the highest tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing this statement, is \$60 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. This rate is projected to apply in each year that bonds are outstanding.
- 3. The best estimate of total debt service, including principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold will be approximately \$566,500,000.

District voters have previously approved bond measures pursuant to which the District has issued bonds that are still outstanding, in part. The tax rate for the previous measures totaled \$140.70 per \$100,000 of assessed value for fiscal year 2023-24.

These estimates are based on projections derived from information obtained from official sources, and are based on the assessed value (<u>not</u> market value) of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls. In addition, taxpayers eligible for a property tax exemption, such as the homeowner's exemption, will be taxed at a lower effective tax rate than described above. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills and tax advisors to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions. The attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon projections and estimates only, which amounts are not maximum amounts and durations and are not binding upon the District. The actual debt service, tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary depending on the timing of bond sales, the par amount of bonds sold at each sale and actual increases in assessed valuations. The timing of the bond sales and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on the need for project funds and other considerations. Actual assessed valuations will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

Superintendent | New Haven Unified School District