A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PINELLAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO PLACE A MEASURE ON THE BALLOT FOR THE NOVEMBER 5, 2024, GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT FOR THE ELECTORS WITHIN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT TO VOTE ON THE APPROVAL OF A ONE MILL AD VALOREM TAX FOR FOUR YEARS PURSUANT TO SECTION 1011.73(2), FLORIDA STATUTES.

WHEREAS, Section 1011.73(2), Florida Statutes, authorizes the School Board pursuant to a resolution adopted at a regular meeting to direct the County Commissioners to call an election at which the electors within the school district may approve an ad valorem tax millage as authorized under Section 1011.71(9), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, Section 1011.71(9), Florida Statutes, authorizes a school district to levy, by local referendum or in a general election, additional millage for school operational purposes up to an amount that, when combined with the non-voted millage otherwise levied, does not exceed the 10 mill limit established in Section 9(b), Article VII of the State Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the School Board has determined that it is in the best interests of the school district to submit to the voters the question of approving a one mill ad valorem tax for four years for necessary operating expenses;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the School Board of Pinellas County, Florida, in regular session duly assembled this 14th day of May, 2024, the following:

1. That the Board of County Commissioners of Pinellas County, Florida, is hereby directed to call an election in conjunction with the general election of November 5, 2024, at which the electors within the school district may vote on the approval of a one mill ad valorem tax for four years as authorized under Section 1011.71(9), Florida Statutes, and the substance of the measure and the ballot title shall be as follows:

BALLOT TITLE: APPROVAL OF ONE MILL AD VALOREM TAX FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT OPERATING EXPENSES WITH INDEPENDENT OVERSIGHT

BALLOT QUESTION: Shall a Pinellas County School District ad valorem millage of one mill per year be levied beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2029, for necessary operating expenses including funds to recruit and retain quality teachers and support staff; preserve music, art and reading classes; provide current technology, while sharing funds with public charter schools proportionate to student enrollment as required by law, with expenditure oversight by an independent citizens financial oversight committee?

__________ YES

__________ NO

and
2. That, in the event that any word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or other portion or portions of this Resolution shall be held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect any other word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or other portion or portions of this Resolution.

[Signatures]

School Board Chair

Superintendent