

NOTICE OF SPECIAL TAX ELECTION
LASSEN LIBRARY DISTRICT

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the qualified electors of the Lassen Library District, County of Lassen, California (the "District"), in accordance with the provisions of the Uniform District Election Law of the State of California, that a special tax election will be held Tuesday, June 5, 2018, in the District.

2. At the election the following proposition will be submitted to the qualified electors of the District and voted upon:

MEASURE: Library District Special Tax Increase Measure _____
Shall the library special tax of \$28.00 per annum currently assessed on each habitable dwelling unit within the incorporated limits of the City of Susanville, be increased to \$52.00 per annum, to go into effect for the 2018-19 tax year beginning July 1, 2018, and to be used solely to operate and maintain the District?

The proposition shall be designated on the ballot by a letter printed on the left margin of the square containing the description of the measure as provided in the Elections Code §13116 of the State of California.

3. All of the purposes enumerated in the foregoing proposition shall be united and voted upon as one single proposition. The special tax proposed to be assessed shall not exceed \$52.00 per annum.

4. If two-thirds of the qualified electors voting on the proposition vote "YES", the proposition is approved and the approved tax increase will go into effect for the 2018-19 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018.

5. The polls at the polling places will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on the day of the election. The boundaries of the voting precincts within the District, the location of the polling places and the names of the officers selected to conduct the election shall be determined by the Registrar of Voters of Lassen County.

The Board of Library Trustees of the Lassen Library District, by adoption of Resolution 18-1 (the "Resolution"), on December 14, 2017, and by execution of this Notice of Special Tax Election, has ordered the election in accordance with the provisions of Elections Code §10502. In all particulars not recited in the Notice, the election shall be held and conducted as provided by law for holding special district elections.

Date: 12-14-2017



Deborah L. Probst, Library Director
Lassen Library District

RESOLUTION No. 18-1

RESOLUTION ORDERING A SPECIAL TAX ELECTION, ESTABLISHING SPECIFICATIONS OF THE ELECTION ORDER, REQUESTING COUNTY ELECTIONS TO CONDUCT THE ELECTION, AND REQUESTING CONSOLIDATION OF THE ELECTION

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WHEREAS, the Lassen Library District ("District") was established as the Susanville Library District by a two-thirds majority vote of the electorate at the November 8, 1994, general election and given taxing authority for a \$28 per annum parcel fee, subject to an appropriation limit of \$150,000.00 per annum, on each habitable dwelling within the city limits of the City of Susanville, County of Lassen; and

WHEREAS, the rate of the approved parcel fee has not been adjusted since its inception, a period of more than 23 years; and

WHEREAS, the approved appropriation limit has been adjusted annually pursuant to Government Code §7910 and Article XII B of the California Constitution to \$425,533 for Fiscal Year 2017-18; and

WHEREAS, the financial viability of the District has been adversely affected by 1) inflation on purchasing power and the Library's corresponding inability to keep up with rising costs of operating and maintaining library programs and facilities, and 2) mandated increases in the minimum wage; and

WHEREAS, the future financial viability of the District depends on the taxpayers of the District to provide an adequate level of financial support via a special tax that is appropriately sized to meet the District's needs; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Library Trustees (the "Board") of the District is generally authorized to order elections within the District and to designate the specifications thereof, pursuant to Uniform District Election Law, Elections Code §10500; and

WHEREAS, the Board is specifically authorized to order elections for the purpose of submitting to the electors the question of whether the District shall impose and/or adjust a special tax pursuant to Government Code §50075 and §53717; and

WHEREAS, the Board deems it necessary and advisable to submit a special tax proposition to the electors that, if approved by two-thirds of the votes cast, would permit the District to assess the tax on all habitable dwelling units within the District; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code §10002, the governing body of any city or district may, by resolution, request the Board of Supervisors of the county to permit the county elections official to render specified services to the city or district relating to the conduct of an election; and

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WHEREAS, the resolution of the governing body of the city or district shall specify the services requested; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code §10002, the city or district shall reimburse the county in full for the services performed upon presentation of a bill to the city or district; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code §10400, whenever two or more elections including board elections, of any legislative or congressional district, public district, city, county, or other political subdivision are called to be held on the same day, in the same territory, or in territory that is in part the same, they may be consolidated, either completely or partially, upon the order of the government body or bodies or officer or officers calling the elections; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the Board of Library Trustees of the Lassen Library District hereby orders as follows:

1. **Election Order; Ballot Proposition**. An election is ordered to be held in the Lassen Library District, County of Lassen, on June 5, 2018, submitting to the voters of the District the question of whether a special tax of fifty-two dollars (\$52.00) per annum, to go into effect for the 2018-19 tax year beginning January 1, 2019, shall be assessed on all habitable dwelling units located in the District, for the purpose of operating and maintaining the library services and facilities of the District.
2. **Vote Required**. Pursuant to Government Code §50075 and §50077 and Section 1 of Article XIII A of the Constitution of the State of California, the above proposition shall become effective only upon the affirmative vote of two-thirds of those electors voting on the measure.
3. **County Officials to Call and Conduct Election**. The Board of Supervisors of Lassen County is requested to permit the Lassen County Elections Department to render any and all services necessary for conducting the election, for which services the District agrees to reimburse the County. The Lassen County Registrar of Voters is requested to take all steps to call and hold the election in accordance with law and these specifications.
4. **Consolidation with Other Elections**. The Board of Supervisors of Lassen County is requested to order consolidation of the special tax election with such other election or elections as may be held on the same day in the same territory that is in part the same.
5. **Formal Notice of Election**. The Lassen Library District Library Director is hereby requested to prepare a Formal Notice of Special Tax Election and file it with the Lassen County Registrar of Voters.
6. **Delivery of Specifications of the Election Order**. The President of the Board shall deliver one certified copy of this resolution and order to the Lassen County Registrar of Voters, and one certified copy hereof to the Board of Supervisors of Lassen County.
7. **General Authorization with Respect to the Special Tax Election**. The members of the Board, and the other officers of the District are hereby authorized and directed, individually and collectively, to do any and all things and to execute, deliver, and perform any and all agreements and documents that they deem necessary or advisable in order to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution, including, without limitation, to prepare and

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submit for inclusion in the voter information pamphlet a tax statement and an argument in favor of passage of the ballot proposition. All actions heretofore taken by the officers and agents of the District that are in conformity with the purposes and intent of this Resolution are hereby ratified, confirmed, and approved in all respects.

PASSED and ADOPTED on this 14th day of December 2017

by the following vote:

AYES: Margie Meserve, Riki Dimond, Al Vazquez, Jennifer Cote, Marilyn Sheard

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 0

Margie Meserve
Margie Meserve, President of the Board
Lassen Library District

ATTEST:

Riki Dimond
Riki Dimond, Vice President of the Board
Lassen Library District