



NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Indiana Code § 6-1.1-20-3.5 that the Board of School Trustees (the "Board") of Porter Township School Corporation (the "School Corporation") did, on September 12, 2024, make a preliminary determination to issue bonds and enter into a lease agreement (the "Lease") for the renovation of and improvements to school facilities, including construction of additional classrooms and cafeteria space at Porter Lakes Elementary School and site and facility improvements throughout the school corporation and the purchase of equipment and technology (the "Projects"). The Lease will be for a maximum term of 22 years with a maximum annual Lease rental of \$2,500,000. The maximum annual Lease rental has been estimated based upon an estimated principal amount of bonds of \$18,340,000, estimated interest rates ranging from 2.00% to 6.00%, and total estimated interest costs of \$10,970,000.

As required by Indiana Code § 6-1.1-20-3.5(b)(1), the following information was available to the public at the public hearings on the preliminary determination: (i) the School Corporation's current and projected annual debt service payments divided by the net assessed value of taxable property within the School Corporation, which is 0.6179%; and (ii) the sum of the School Corporation's outstanding long term debt plus the outstanding long term debt of other taxing units that include any other territory of the School Corporation divided by the net assessed value of taxable property within the School Corporation, which is 7.75%.

The School Corporation's current Debt Service Fund levy is \$4,640,977 and the current debt service fund rate is \$0.5699. After the School Corporation enters into the proposed Lease and the bonds are issued, the Debt Service Fund levy will increase by a maximum of \$2,500,000 and the Debt Service Fund rate will increase by a maximum of \$0.2690. However, as existing obligations mature, the anticipated net increase to the School Corporation's total tax rate is expected to be \$0.0000 above the current rate.

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The estimated amount of the School Corporation's Debt Service Fund levy and tax rate that will result during the following 10 years if the School Corporation enters into the lease and issues the bonds, after considering any changes that will occur to the Debt Service Fund levy and tax rate during that period on account of any outstanding bonds or lease obligations that will mature or terminate during that period, is as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Estimated Total Debt Service Fund Levy</u>	<u>Estimated Total Debt Service Fund Tax Rate</u>	<u>Estimated Total School Tax Rate</u>
2024	\$4,640,977	\$0.5699	\$0.9674
2025	5,621,887	0.6050	0.9674
2026	4,917,612	0.5188	0.8919
2027	4,754,860	0.4918	0.8758
2028	4,682,942	0.4749	0.8702
2029	4,615,198	0.4588	0.8658
2030	4,506,208	0.4392	0.8382
2031	4,380,047	0.4269	0.8259
2032	4,335,705	0.4226	0.8216
2033	4,346,237	0.4236	0.8226
2034	4,325,361	0.4216	0.8205

The Projects involve the possible opening of new school facility space. The School Corporation expects to annually incur approximately \$50,000.00 to operate such new facility space. The purpose of the Lease is to provide for the Projects.

If a valid petition pursuant to Indiana Code § 6-1.1-20-3.5 is received within 30 days from the first publication of this notice, the proposed debt service or Lease payments must be approved in an election on a local public question held under Indiana Code § 6-1.1-20-3.6.

Dated September 16, 2024.

/s/ Secretary, Board of School Trustees
Porter Township School Corporation