

**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 831
(FOREST LAKE AREA SCHOOLS), MINNESOTA
NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election has been called and will be held in and for Independent School District No. 831 (Forest Lake Area Schools), Minnesota, on Tuesday, November 7, 2017 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. to vote on the following questions:

**SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT QUESTION 1
REVOKE EXISTING REFERENDUM AUTHORIZATION;
APPROVING NEW AUTHORIZATION**

The School Board of Independent School District No. 831 (Forest Lake Area Schools), Minnesota (the "School District"), has proposed to revoke the School District's existing referendum revenue authorization of \$461.67 per pupil and to approve a new referendum revenue authorization of \$1,211.67 per pupil. The proposed referendum revenue authorization would be applicable for eight (8) years unless otherwise revoked or reduced as provided by law.

Shall the existing referendum revenue authorization be revoked and the new referendum revenue authorization proposed by the Board of Independent School District No. 831 (Forest Lake Area Schools) be approved?

**PASSAGE OF THIS REFERENDUM WILL RESULT IN AN INCREASE IN YOUR PROPERTY TAXES
BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING FOR A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE.**

Approval of Ballot Question 1 will result in the levy of a property tax at an estimated referendum revenue rate of 0.16626% on the referendum market value of all classes of taxable property in the School District, as defined by Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.01, Subdivision 3, which excludes certain agricultural property, seasonal property and post-secondary student housing.

The projected annual dollar increases for typical residential homesteads, agricultural homesteads, apartments, commercial-industrial properties, and most other classes of property within the School District are as shown in the table below.

For agricultural property (both homestead and non-homestead), the taxes for the proposed referendum will be based on the value of the house, garage and one acre of land. There will be no referendum taxes paid on the value of agricultural land and buildings. For seasonal recreational residential property (e.g., cabins), there will be no taxes paid for the proposed referendum.

The figures in the tables below are based on taxes for the proposed referendum revenue levy only, and do not include taxes for other purposes.

Market Value	Revoked Levy Payable in 2018	Proposed Levy Payable in 2018	Net Change
\$ 50,000	\$ (26.90)	\$ 83.13	\$ 56.23
75,000	(40.35)	124.69	84.35
85,000	(45.73)	141.32	95.59
100,000	(53.80)	166.26	112.46
125,000	(67.24)	207.82	140.58
150,000	(80.69)	249.39	168.69
200,000	(107.59)	332.52	224.93
250,000	(134.49)	415.64	281.16
300,000	(161.39)	498.77	337.39
400,000	(215.18)	665.03	449.85
500,000	(268.98)	831.29	562.31
600,000	(322.77)	997.55	674.78
800,000	(430.36)	1,330.06	899.70
1,000,000	(537.95)	1,662.58	1,124.63

**SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT QUESTION 2
APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS**

Shall the School Board of Independent School District No. 831 (Forest Lake Area Schools), Minnesota (the "School District"), be authorized to issue general obligation school building bonds in an amount not to exceed \$9,000,000, for acquisition, betterment and equipping of school sites and facilities?

BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING FOR A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF, THE PREMIUM, IF ANY, AND THE INTEREST ON THE BONDS.

The polling places and precincts served by the polling places for the special election will be as follows:

Precinct 1: Scandia Community Center
(May Twp & Scandia)
14727 209th Street North
Scandia, MN

Precinct 2: Lino Lakes Senior Center
(Lino Lakes P1)
1189 Main Street
Lino Lakes MN
Lino Lakes Fire Station #1
(Lino Lakes P2)
7741 Lake Dr.
Lino Lakes, MN
St. Joseph's Catholic Church
(Lino Lakes P3)
171 Elm Street
Lino Lakes, MN
Lino Lakes City Hall
(Lino Lakes P4)

Precinct 3:	600 Town Center Pkwy. Lino Lakes, MN Linwood Elementary School (Linwood P1, Linwood P2) 21900 Typo Creek Dr. NE Wyoming, MN
Precinct 4:	Columbus Elementary School (Columbus P1, East Bethel P3, Ham Lake P4A) 17345 Notre Dame St. NE Forest Lake, MN
Precinct 5:	Forest Lake Headwaters Service Center (Forest Lake P5, Hugo W2 P2A, Hugo W3 P3A) 19955 Forest Road N. Forest Lake, MN
Precinct 6:	Forest Lake City Hall, Community Room (Forest Lake P1) 1408 Lake Street South Forest Lake, MN
Precinct 7:	Forest Lake City Hall, City Council Chambers (Forest Lake P2) 1408 Lake Street South Forest Lake, MN
Precinct 8:	Faith Lutheran Church (Forest Lake P3) 886 North Shore Drive Forest Lake, MN
Precinct 9:	Hosanna Lutheran Church (Forest Lake P4) 9300 Scandia Trail N. Forest Lake, MN
Precinct 10:	Wyoming Elementary School (Chisago, Stacy, Wyoming) 25701 Forest Blvd. N. Wyoming, MN

All qualified electors residing in the School District may cast their ballots at the polling places designated above during the polling hours specified above.

A voter must be registered to vote to be eligible to vote in the special election. Unregistered individuals may register to vote at the polling places on election day.

BY ORDER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

/s/ Jill Olson

Dated: August 17, 2017

School Board Clerk

Independent School District No. 831

Forest Lake Area Schools

State of Minnesota

Official Ballot		Special Election Ballot	
Judge _____		Independent School District No. 831	
Judge _____		(Forest Lake Area Schools)	
_____		November 7, 2017	
Instructions to Voters: To vote, completely fill in the oval(s) next to your choice(s) like this: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
School District Questions		School District Questions	
To vote for a question, fill in the oval next to the word "Yes" on that question. To vote against a question, fill in the oval next to the word "No" on that question.		To vote for a question, fill in the oval next to the word "Yes" on that question. To vote against a question, fill in the oval next to the word "No" on that question.	
School District Ballot Question 1		School District Ballot Question 2	
Revoking Existing Referendum Revenue Authorization Approving New Referendum Revenue Authorization			
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<input type="radio"/> Yes		<input type="radio"/> No	
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Approving the Issuance of General Obligation School Building Bonds			
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