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APPENDIX A

FULL TEXT OF BOND MEASURE

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**INTRODUCTION**

This measure may be known as the **SANGER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NEW SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION AND MODERNIZATION BOND MEASURE** or **MEASURE \_\_\_\_\_**.

**BOND AUTHORIZATION**

By approval of this measure by at least 55 percent of the registered voters voting on the measure, the District will be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$175 million 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 described 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 XIII A, 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.)

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

**Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee.** Following approval of this measure, the Board of Trustees 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 of Trustees.

**Performance Audits.** The Board of Trustees 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 of Trustees 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 Fresno County Treasurer, as required by the California Education Code, and (4) the Superintendent of the District shall cause an annual report to be filed with the Board of Trustees 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), those being for 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 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.

## **BOND PROJECT LIST**

**Scope of Projects.** Bond proceeds will be expended on the modernization, renovation, expansion, acquisition, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, and/or replacement of school facilities of the Sanger Unified School District, including the furnishing and equipping of such school facilities, located or to be located in the Sanger Unified School District, including but not limited to the following school sites and properties which have an average age of 55 years:

### **Elementary Schools (In order of age)**

Del Rey (1958)	66 years	Madison (1968)	56 years
Lincoln (1948)	76 years	John S. Wash (1961)	63 years
Lone Star (1948)	76 years	Jackson (1965)	59 years
Fairmont (1960)	64 years	Ronald W. Reagan (2006)	18 years
Jefferson (1961)	63 years	Sequoia (2009)	15 years
Wilson (1956)	68 years		

### **Intermediate and High Schools (In order of age)**

Washington Academic Middle School (1936)	88 years
Kings River High School (1938)	86 years
Sanger High School (1996)	28 years
Sanger West High School (2017)	7 years

### **Charter Schools (In order of age)**

Sanger Academic Charter (1960)	64 years
Quail Lake Environmental Charter (2001)	23 years

### **Schools of Choice (In order of age)**

Centerville Dual Language Academy (1950)	74 years
Hallmark Academy (2004)	20 years

In addition to projects at the foregoing sites, bond funds will be spent on the construction and equipping of new educational facilities at additional sites to accommodate continued growth in student population and provide additional learning and other facilities for District students, including career, technical and vocational learning facilities, and facilities to facilitate college preparation and co-curricular activities.

**School Facility Project List.** The projects summarized on the following list are the types of projects authorized by this bond measure to be financed with voter-approved bond proceeds, together with additional financing sources the District will pursue, if available. The specific examples included on this list are not intended to limit the generality of the broader types of projects described and authorized by this measure. The types of projects authorized are:

- Construct, modernize, upgrade and expand classrooms and other learning facilities, including vocational education facilities such as agriculture, manufacturing, healthcare and technology skills, facilities for college preparation and teaching pathways, dual credit pathways, and including building and completing new schools;
- Make health and safety improvements to older schools to repair and update deteriorating restrooms and leaky and aging roofs, including replace outdated heating and air conditioning systems (HVAC);
- Upgrade and construct science/computer labs and technology infrastructure, including technology and equipment supporting online learning, to provide students with access to technology needed for a 21<sup>st</sup> Century economy;
- Acquire, install and/or upgrade emergency communication systems, security door locks, cameras and other surveillance systems, create controlled single points of entries and other improvements to ensure preparation for emergencies including public health emergencies;
- Repair and upgrade outdated electrical wiring;
- Ensure and upgrade disabled/ADA accessibility to schools;
- Create and equip quality classrooms, labs, libraries and community-use areas equal across district schools;
- Improve school libraries;
- Provide local matching funds for school facility grant opportunities;
- Build, renovate and equip special education facilities in order that students' unique academic, social or physical needs can be met;
- Incorporate sustainable site design, alternative energy, water conservation and energy efficiency into building projects and repairs including solar;
- Improve access to schools by parents, visitors and the community;
- Resurface and repave play yards and fields, provide new playground and fitness equipment, install safe surface treatments, shade structures, construct improve, repair, renovate and upgrade tracks, courts, fields, stadiums, community use facilities and other physical education and athletic facilities including all related improvements such as locker rooms, restrooms, seating, concessions, and lighting.
- Acquisition of any of the facilities on the Project List through temporary lease or lease-purchase arrangements or other interim financing;
- Make interior and exterior improvements to facilities including upgrade of infrastructure and major building systems; replace water, sewer, plumbing, electrical and irrigation systems; repaint facilities; resurface/expand parking areas; upgrade sidewalks, paths and walkways including to ensure adequate lighting and signage; and
- Construct facilities, including those that might qualify for State funds, as joint-use-project with the City of Sanger, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, County of Fresno, State Center Community College District, California State University, Fresno, or other eligible agencies or non-profit agencies for joint-use school facilities.

Furnishing and Equipping; 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 incidental but directly related to the specific projects described above.

Examples of incidental costs include, but are not limited to: costs of design, engineering, architect and other professional services, inspections, site preparation, utilities, landscaping, construction management and other planning and permitting, legal including litigation, accounting and similar costs; facilities assessments; independent annual financial and performance audits; a customary construction contingency; demolition and disposal of existing structures; rental or construction of storage facilities and other space on an interim basis for materials and other equipment and furnishings displaced during construction; interim classrooms and facilities for students, administrators, and school functions, including modular facilities; 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 similar laws and regulations; all federal, state and locally-mandated safety upgrades; the costs of new or expanded infrastructure; costs of the election; bond issuance costs; and project administration, including by District personnel, during the duration of such projects.

Real Property Acquisition; Changes to Scope and Nature of Projects. Bond proceeds may also be expended to acquire real property (or any interest in real property) as needed for future educational and support. The scope and nature of any of the specific projects described above may be altered by the District as required by unforeseen conditions that may arise during the course of design and construction, or based on other considerations such as economic factors or feasibility and safety factors, as determined by the School Board. In the event that a modernization or renovation project identified above will result in higher costs than rebuilding, reconfiguring and expanding and/or relocation and construction, this bond measure authorizes such new construction, including land acquisition, relocation and reconstruction, and all costs relating thereto, for said reasons or based on other considerations deemed in the best interest of the District by the Board of Trustees. In addition, the payment or prepayment of interim financing obtained for voter-approved projects, including bond anticipation notes and capital leases, are authorized projects.

Joint Use Projects Authorized; State Matching Funds. This measure authorizes the District to spend bond funds on facility/school site improvements to encourage community-wide use of school facilities, buildings and fields. This includes entering into agreements with the City of Sanger, City of Fresno, County of Fresno, or other agencies or nonprofit organizations for joint use of any projects financed in whole or in part with bond funds, in accordance with Education Code. The District may seek matching funds or State grants for eligible joint-use projects if available and as permitted by law, and bond funds may be used to fund all or a portion of the District's share of such eligible projects as determined by the Board of Trustees.

Limited Local Funds. Approval of the District's bond measure does not guarantee that all of the identified projects within this Bond Project List will be funded beyond what can be completed with local funds generated by this bond measure. The District plans to continue to pursue funds from the State of California, if available, to provide additional funding

sources for the facilities projects identified above. In addition, the issuance of bonds pursuant to this measure depends in part on the assessed valuation of properties in the District and as a result issuance may require approval from the State Department of Education for a waiver of bonding capacity.

Project List Not in Order of Priority; Board Determines Prioritization. The order in which school facilities projects are listed above does not suggest an order of priority. Project priorities will be determined by the Board of Trustees. 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 XIII A, 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 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. The Bond Project List does not authorize, and shall not be interpreted to authorize, expending proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by this measure for current maintenance, operation or repairs.

Severability. The District 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 District 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.

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