APPENDIX A

BALLOT MEASURE FULL TEXT

CLASSROOM EDUCATION, NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL REPAIR, STUDENT SAFETY MEASURE

To attract / retain quality teachers and repair / upgrade schools by:

- Improving classrooms, career-technical facilities, science labs, technology;
- Repairing deteriorating restrooms, plumbing, air conditioning, wiring;
- Removing asbestos / lead hazards:
- Upgrading security cameras, lighting, fencing, fire safety;
- · Renovating, building, acquiring facilities / equipment;
- Securing State funds;

Shall Fresno Unified School District issue \$225 million in bonds, at legal rates, requiring audits, citizens' oversight, no money for administrators' salaries, all funds spent locally?

Bonds—Yes

Bonds-No

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 \$225 million in aggregated principal at interest rates not in excess of the legal limit and to provide financing for the specific school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List described below, subject to all the accountability requirements specified below.

The Bonds may be issued under the provisions of the California Education Code (starting at Section 15100), under the provisions of the California Government Code (starting at Section 53506), or under any other provision of law authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds by school districts. The Bonds may be issued in series by the District from time to time, and each series of Bonds shall mature within the legal limitations set forth in the applicable law under which the Bonds are issued.

<u>ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES</u>

The following accountability provisions are required by Section 53410 of the Government Code and are included to assure District voters and taxpayers 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 XIIIA, 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 Education has identified facilities needs of the District and has determined which projects to finance from a local bond at this time. The Board hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size, and information technology needs in developing the Bond Project List shown below.

Independent Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee. The District's previously established Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee will be charged with ensuring that bond proceeds are expended only on the school facilities projects listed below.

Performance Audits. The Board of Education shall conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the school facilities projects listed below.

Financial Audits. The Board of Trustees shall conduct an annual, independent financial audit 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 Education 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.

FURTHER SPECIFICATIONS

No Administrator Salaries. Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction and/or rehabilitation of school facilities including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities or acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses.

BOND PROJECT LIST

Projects Subject to Available Funding. The following list of projects is subject to the availability of adequate funding to the District. Approval of the Bond Measure does not guarantee that the proposed projects will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by the bond measure. The District's proposal for the projects may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure.

Scope of Projects. Bond proceeds will be expended to repair, modernize, upgrade, renovate, remodel, construct, acquire, replace, equip, furnish, rebuild and otherwise improve educational and support facilities within the District. Projects which are described below include all related and incidental costs, including their share of the costs

of the election and bond issuance and costs of design, engineering, architect and other professional services, design review, inspections, site preparation, utilities, landscaping, construction management and other planning, regulatory, legal, accounting and similar costs, independent annual financial and performance audits, a customary construction contingency, and other costs incidental to and necessary for completion of the listed projects.

Bond proceeds may also be expended to acquire real property (or any interest in real property) for future educational and support facilities and to acquire and install furniture, fixtures and equipment at any classrooms and other educational facilities within the District. The District may alter the scope and nature of any of the specific projects which are described below as required by conditions that arise during the course of design and construction.

Whenever specific items are included in the following list, they are presented to provide examples and are not intended to limit the generality of the broader description of authorized projects. The order in which projects are listed is not intended to indicate priority for funding or completion.

PROJECTS THAT MAY BE FINANCED FROM BOND FUNDS

- Upgrade/build/renovate/expand/equip classrooms and school facilities
- Upgrade/build/renovate/expand/equip facilities for career technical education programs
- Upgrade/build/renovate/expand/equip facilities for science and technology programs
- Build new classrooms/facilities to replace portables, and to accommodate enrollment growth and expanded programs
- Remove unneeded portable classrooms from school campuses
- Upgrade/build/renovate/expand/equip early learning facilities
- Upgrade/build/renovate/expand/equip facilities that provide alternative opportunities to keep students in school and on target to graduate, including credit recovery, independent study, and General Education Diploma programs
- Upgrade/build/renovate/expand/equip libraries, cafeterias, theaters, counseling offices, lecture and performance spaces, specialty classrooms, and administrative offices
- Upgrade/build/renovate/expand/equip facilities for college and career counseling
- Install/upgrade/repair/replace district and classroom technology including network and internet infrastructure and associated electrical systems
- Install/upgrade/repair/replace communications and multimedia systems and equipment
- Improve school safety and security by installing/improving access control, security and fire systems, student drop-off and pick-up zones, lighting, locks, storage, fencing and landscaping, and by making repairs to ensure safe buildings and grounds
- Perform repairs and deferred maintenance on a periodic or emergency basis, including but not limited to projects involving asbestos and lead paint removal/remediation, concrete, electrical systems, grounds, flooring, heating and air conditioning, metal trades, painting, paving, plumbing, roofing, signal systems, and wall systems
- Upgrade/build/renovate/expand/equip restroom facilities for students, staff and visitors

- Upgrade/build/renovate/expand/equip athletic fields and facilities, gyms, locker rooms, weight rooms, dance rooms, swimming pools, indoor and outdoor courts, athletic lighting, storage facilities and other related facilities for athletics and physical education
- Upgrade/build/renovate/expand/equip outdoor areas for student assembly, dining and performance
- Upgrade/build/renovate/expand/equip classrooms and support facilities to serve the academic, physical and social-emotional needs of students with disabilities
- Upgrade/build/renovate/expand/equip school-based health centers
- Upgrade/build/renovate/expand/equip facilities to accommodate and encourage parent and community involvement, and to provide opportunities for parents and community members to obtain workplace skills and knowledge
- Install/upgrade/repair/replace heating and air conditioning systems, gas and electrical systems, and plumbing, water, sewer and irrigation systems and infrastructure
- Install/upgrade/repair/replace roofs, doors and windows
- Install/upgrade/repair/replace energy management controls, solar energy devices, and other energy efficiency technology/equipment for increased resource conservation and utility savings
- Upgrade/build/renovate/expand/equip facilities for regulatory compliance including the Field Act (seismic upgrades), Americans with Disabilities Act (accessibility) and Title IX (gender equity) provisions
- Improve/build off-site facilities such as street and sewer system improvements, as required for District projects
- Upgrade/build/renovate/expand/equip facilities for community use
- Provide matching funds to leverage state funding for eligible projects through the School Facilities Program or any successor state program
- Any and all projects that construct, repair, modernize, upgrade, renovate, remodel, acquire, replace, install, equip, furnish, rebuild, expand and otherwise improve District educational and support facilities

SCHOOLS THAT MAY RECEIVE BOND FUNDING

Bond funds may be used to finance any of the projects described herein, which benefit any of the schools listed plus any and all other existing and/or future District school facilities and District educational support facilities.

Elementary Schools

Addams Gibson Olmos Addicott Greenberg Phoenix Academy **Anthony** Hamilton K-8 Powers-Ginsburg Ayer Heaton Pvle Aynesworth Hidalgo Robinson Bakman Holland Roeding Balderas Homan Rowell Bethune Jackson Slater Starr Birney Jefferson **Bullard Talent K-8** King Storey Burroughs Kirk Sunset Calwa Kratt **Thomas** Centennial Lane Turner Columbia Lawless Vang Pao Dailey Leavenworth Viking Del Mar Lincoln Vinland Lowell Easterby Webster Eaton Malloch Williams Ericson Manchester Wilson **Ewing** Mayfair Winchell Figarden McCardle Wishon Forkner Muir Wolters Fremont Norseman Yokomi

Middle Schools

Ahwahnee Gaston Tenaya
Baird Kings Canyon Terronez
Computech Scandinavian Tioga
Cooper Academy Sequoia Wawona
Fort Miller Tehipite Yosemite

High Schools

Bullard Duncan McLane Edison Cambridge Patiño CART Fresno Phoenix Secondary Design Science Fulton Millbrook Rata DeWolf Hoover Roosevelt J.E.Young Sunnyside

Other Schools

Adult Transition Program Cesar Chavez Adult School

APPENDIX B

BALLOT MEASURE ABBREVIATED FORM

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Bonds—Yes	Bonds-	–No

APPENDIX C

TAX RATE STATEMENT CONCERNING MEASURE

TAX RATE STATEMENT
REGARDING PROPOSED
\$225,000,000
FRESNO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

An election will be held in the Fresno Unified School District (the "District") on November 8, 2016, to authorize the sale of up to \$225,000,000 in bonds ("2016 Bond Authorization") of the District to finance school facilities as described in the measure. If such bonds are authorized and sold, principal and interest on the bonds will be payable only from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information is provided in compliance with Sections 9400-9404 of the Elections Code of the State of California. Such information is based upon the best estimates and projections presently available from official sources, upon experience within the District, and other demonstrable factors.

Based upon the foregoing and projections of the District's assessed valuation, the following information is provided:

- 1. The best estimate of the tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the first series of bonds, based on a projection of assessed valuations, is \$0.00 per \$100 of assessed valuation (or \$0.00 per \$100,000 of assessed value) for fiscal year 2017-18.
- 2. The best estimate of the tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the last series of bonds, based on a projection of assessed valuations, is \$0.04947 per \$100 of assessed valuation (or \$49.47 per \$100,000 of assessed value) for fiscal year 2024-25.
- 3. The best estimate of the highest tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue, based on a projection of assessed valuations, is \$0.06 per \$100 of assessed valuation (or \$60.00 per \$100,000 of assessed value) for fiscal year 2025-26.
- 4. The tax rates associated with the 2016 Bond Authorization combined with the District's outstanding obligations, based on a projection of assessed valuations, are estimated not to increase aggregate future tax rates above the current tax rate of \$0.18886 per \$100 of assessed valuation (or \$188.86 per \$100,000 of assessed value).
- 5. The best estimate of the total debt service, including the principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold is approximately \$588,000,000.

Voters should note the estimated tax rate is based on the ASSESSED VALUE of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls, <u>not</u> on the property's market value. In addition, taxpayers eligible for a property tax exemption, such as the homeowner's exemption, will be taxed at a lower effective tax rate than described above. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills and tax advisors to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

The attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon projections and estimates only, which are not binding upon the District. The actual tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary from those presently estimated, due to variations from these estimates in the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold and market interest rates at the time of each sale, and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The date of sale and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on the need for project funds and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of sale. Actual future assessed valuations will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

Superintendent

Fresno Unified School District

RESOLUTION NO. 16-01

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE FRESNO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ORDERING AN ELECTION TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF SCHOOL BONDS, ESTABLISHING SPECIFICATIONS OF THE ELECTION ORDER, AND REQUESTING CONSOLIDATION WITH OTHER ELECTIONS OCCURRING ON NOVEMBER 8, 2016

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the Board of Education (the "Board") of the Fresno Unified School District (the "District"), it is advisable to call an election to submit to the electors of the District the question whether bonds of the District shall be issued and sold for the purpose of raising money for the acquisition and improvement of real property and the furnishing, building and equipping of school facilities of the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board is authorized to pursue the authorization and issuance of bonds by a 55 percent vote of the electorate on the question whether bonds of the District shall be issued and sold for specified purposes, under Article XIIIA Section 1 paragraph (b) of the California Constitution ("Article XIIIA") and under Education Code Section 15264 et seq. (the "Act"); and

WHEREAS, under Section 10403 *et seq.* of the California Elections Code, it is appropriate for the Board to request consolidation of the election with any and all other elections to be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2016, and to request the Fresno County Registrar of Voters to perform certain election services for the District;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE FRESNO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Call for Election. The Board hereby orders an election and submits to the electors of the District the question of whether general obligation bonds of the District shall be issued and sold in the maximum principal amount of \$225 million (the "Bonds") for the purposes described in the ballot measure approved under Section 3 and attached hereto as Appendix A and Appendix B, and paying costs incident thereto, as set forth more fully in the ballot measure approved under Section 3. This Resolution constitutes the order of the District to call such election and shall constitute the "specifications of the election order" pursuant to Education Code Section 5322.

Section 2. Election Date. The date of the election shall be November 8, 2016, and the election shall be held solely within the boundaries of the District. The boundaries of the District have not changed since the District's last election.

Section 3. Purpose of Election; Ballot Measure. The purpose of the election shall be for the voters in the District to vote on a measure, a full copy of which is attached hereto as Appendix A (the "Full Text of the Measure"), containing the question of whether the District shall issue the Bonds for the purposes stated therein, together with the accountability requirements of Article XIIIA and the requirements of Section 15272 of the Act. The Full Text of the Measure, which includes all of the text set forth in Appendix A, shall be printed in the voter information pamphlet provided to voters, with such measure designation as is assigned to the measure. As required by Elections Code Section 13247

and Education Code Section 5322, the abbreviated form of the measure to appear on the ballot is attached hereto as Appendix B and is marked as "Appendix B – Ballot Measure – Abbreviated Form." The Superintendent is hereby authorized and directed to make any changes to the Full Text of the Measure as required to conform to any requirements of Article XIIIA, the Act or the Fresno County Registrar of Voters.

Section 4. Authority for Election. The authority for ordering the election is contained in Section 15264 *et. seq.* of the Education Code and Section I paragraph (b) subsection (3) of Article XIIIA. The authority for the specification of this election order is contained in Section 5322 of the Education Code.

Section 5. School Facilities Projects. The Board certifies that the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds will be used only for the purposes specified in Section 1(b)(3) of Article XIII A and as further specified in Appendix A, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses. Further, as required by Article XIIIA, the Board hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size and information technology needs in developing the list of school facilities projects set forth in Appendix A.

Section 6. Covenants of the Board upon Approval of the Bonds by the Electorate; Accountability Measures. As required by Article XIIIA, Section 15278 of the Act and Government Code Section 53410, in the event 55 percent or more of the voters voting in the District approve of the Bonds, the Board shall:

- (a) conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the funds have been expended only on the projects listed in Appendix A;
- (b) conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds until all of those proceeds have been expended for the school facilities projects listed in Appendix A; and
- (c) establish and appoint members to an independent citizens' oversight committee in accordance with Sections 15278, 15280, and 15282 of the Act:
- (d) apply the Bond proceeds only to the specific purposes stated in the ballot measure;
- (e) cause creation of accounts into which bond proceeds shall be deposited; and
- (f) cause the preparation of an annual report pursuant to Government Code Sections 53410 and 53411.

Section 7. Delivery of this Resolution. The Clerk of the Board is hereby directed to send a copy of this Resolution to the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools, the Fresno County Registrar of Voters (the "County Registrar") and the Fresno County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors. Pursuant to Education Code Section 5322, the Resolution shall be received by the County Registrar no later than 88 days prior to the election date, unless otherwise permitted by law.

The County Registrar is hereby requested to print the Full Text of the Measure in the ballot materials as it appears on Appendix A hereto and to provide all required notices of the election and other notices related thereto.

Section 8. Consolidation of Election; Request to Provide Services. The County Registrar and the Fresno County Board of Supervisors are hereby requested to consolidate the election ordered hereby with any and all other elections to be held on November 8, 2016, within the District. Pursuant to Section 5303 of the Education Code and Section 10002 of the Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors of Fresno County is requested to permit the County Registrar to render all services specified by Section 10418 of the Elections Code relating to the election, for which services the District agrees to reimburse Fresno County in full upon presentation of a bill, such services to include the publication of a formal Notice of School Bond Election and the mailing of the sample ballot and tax rate statement (described in Section 9401 of the Elections Code).

Section 9. Ballot Arguments; Tax Rate Statement. As provided in Elections Code Section 9501, any and all members of this Board are hereby authorized to act as an author of any ballot argument prepared in connection with the election, including a rebuttal argument. The Board hereby approves the Tax Rate Statement for the election, in the form set forth in Appendix C attached hereto. As provided in the Tax Rate Statement, any series of Bonds may only be issued if the tax rate levied to pay debt service on the Bonds and all other outstanding general obligation bonds of the District would not exceed \$188.86 per year per \$100,000 of taxable property when assessed valuation is projected by the District in accordance with Article XIII A of the California Constitution. The President of the Board, the Superintendent, the Deputy Superintendent/Chief Financial Officer or any designee of the foregoing, are hereby authorized to execute the Tax Rate Statement or other document and to perform all acts necessary to place the bond measure on the ballot.

Section 10. Maturity Limit of Bonds. The Bonds may be issued in series by the District from time to time, and each series of Bonds shall mature not more than legal limit at the time of such issuance thereof. The Bonds shall be issued under the Act, under the provisions of Section 53506 of the California Government Code, or under any other provision of law authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds by school districts.

Section 11. Joint/Community Use. Using funds from the Bonds, the District may enter into agreements with the City of Fresno, the County of Fresno or other agencies or nonprofit organizations for joint use of school facilities in accordance with Education Code Section 17011.42 (or any successor provision). The District may seek State grant or matching funds for eligible joint-use projects as permitted by law, and Bond funds may to be used to fund all or a portion of the share for such eligible joint-use projects as the Board shall determine.

Section 12. Engagement of Legal Services. The firm of Jones Hall, A Professional Law Corporation, a nationally recognized bond counsel firm, is hereby appointed to serve as legal counsel in connection with the bond election and, if successful, subsequent bond issuances.

Section 13. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect on and after its adoption.

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The foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Board of Education of the Fresno Unified School District of Fresno County, being the Board authorized by law to make the designations therein contained by the following vote, on August 10, 2016.

AYES: (

NOES:

ABSENT: O

I, <u>Luis Chavez</u>, President of the Fresno Unified School District Board of Education, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of the resolution passed and adopted by said Board at a regularly scheduled and conducted meeting held on said date, which resolution is on file in office of said Board.

President of the Board of Education Fresno Unified School District

I, <u>Christopher De La Cerda</u>, Clerk of the Board of Education of the Fresno Unified School District, do herby certify that the foregoing Resolution was introduced and adopted by said Board at a regular session meeting thereof held on the <u>10th</u> day of <u>August</u>, <u>2016</u>.

Clerk of the Board of Education Fresho Unified School District