## Notice of Public Hearing on the Budget, Annual Meeting, Budget Vote and Election

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Grand Island Central School District (the "District") of the Town of Grand Island, Erie County, New York, will hold a Budget Hearing. Said Hearing shall be held for the purpose of presentation and discussion of the 2015-2016 District budget and shall be held on Monday, May 11, 2015 at 6:30 p.m., Prevailing Time, in the High School Professional Development Room, 1100 Ransom Road, Grand Island, New York.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Annual District Meeting, Election and Budget Vote will be held on Tuesday, May 19, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Prevailing Time, in the High School Gym, 1100 Ransom Road, Grand Island, New York, which vote will be on the following:

1. To elect three (3) at-large members to the Board of Education as follows:

 a. Three (3) individuals to occupy three-year terms for the seats currently occupied by Glenn Bobeck, Matthew Green and Paul Krull. The terms will commence July 1, 2015 after expiration on June 30, 2015 of the terms of the above named Board Members, and will expire on June 30, 2018.

2. The adoption of the following propositions:

**PROPOSITION NO. 1:** 

To adopt a budget for the fiscal year 2015-2016.

**PROPOSITION NO. 2:** 

To adopt the following resolution: RESOLVED: (a) That the Board of Education of the Grand Island Central School District, in the County of Erie, New York (the "District"), is hereby authorized to acquire various school buses and vehicles, and to expend therefore an amount not to exceed \$650,000; (b) that a tax is hereby voted in the amount of not to exceed \$650,000 to finance such cost, such tax to be levied and collected in installments in such years and in such amounts as shall be determined by said Board of Education; (c) that the District is authorized to issue serial bonds to finance all or part of said cost, and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on said bonds as the same shall become due and payable; and (d) that, in lieu of bonds, the District is authorized to enter into one or more installment purchase contracts for the purchase of some or all of said buses and vehicles, for a term of not to exceed five (5) years; and a tax is hereby voted to pay each installment on any such contract.

**PROPOSITION NO. 3:** 

To adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Real Property Tax Law Section 458-a, the Board of Education of the Grand Island Central School District desires to offer a school tax exemption on the primary residence of eligible veterans residing within the school district; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on this matter on March 23, 2015; and having given the public an opportunity to be heard on the issues of the Board's proposed adoption of the Alternative Veterans' Exemption pursuant to Section 458-a of the Real Property Tax law;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Real Property Tax Law Section 458-a, the Board of Education hereby adopts the Alternative Veterans Exemption, permitting exemptions of 12%, an 20%, and 40% of the additional veteran's disability rating as determined by the Veterans Administration or Department of Defense, for wartime veterans, combat veterans and veterans

who sustained a service-related disability, respectively, pursuant to the following maximum exemption amounts: Wartime \$12,000, Combat \$20,000, Disability \$40,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this local law shall be effective for the 2016-2017 school year, and shall continue until rescinded or amended by resolution of the Board of Education.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that all candidates for the office of members of Board of Education shall the be nominated by petition. Each petition shall be directed to the District Clerk; shall be signed by at least Twenty Five (25) voters of the District; shall state the residence of each signer, and shall state the name and residence of the candidate. Each petition shall be filed in the office of the District Clerk between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Prevailing Time, not later than the Monday following the thirtieth day preceding the election of a member of the Board of Education, to wit: Monday, April 20, 2015. Each person nominated is a candidate to fill any of the vacancies as described above.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that applications for absentee ballots may be applied for at the office of the District Clerk. If the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, the District Clerk must receive the completed application no later than May 8, 2015. If the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter, the District Clerk must receive the completed application no later than May 18, 2015. The completed ballot must be received by the District Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m., May 19, 2015.

A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued will be available in the office of the District Clerk on each of the five days prior to the day of the election, except Saturday and Sunday, during regular business hours. Such list will also be posted in a conspicuous place at the polling place during the election.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Board of Education of the District will have prepared and completed а proposed budget, specifically, a detailed statement in writing of the amount of money which will be required for the 2015-2016 for fiscal vear school purposes, specifying the several purposes and the amount of each. The amount for each purpose estimated to be necessary for payment to the Board of Cooperative Educational Services shall be set forth in full with no deduction of estimated State aid. Such statement, together with the text of the resolutions to be voted on, will be available upon request to residents within the District during the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Prevailing Time, weekdays, from May 5, 2015 to May 19, 2015, at each of the public schoolhouses of the District, on the District's internet website (www.grand islandschools.org), or at any public library or free association library within the District.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that additional propositions not requiring expenditures for the fiscal year 2015-2016 and the levying of taxes therefore must be submitted to the District Clerk, 1100 Ransom Road, Grand Island, New York, not later than 5:00 p.m., Prevailing Time on Monday, April 20, 2015, and must be signed by at least twenty-five (25) voters of the District. Such propositions will be presented with the proposed budget at the Budget Hearing. The School Board will not entertain any petition to place before the voters, any proposition for the purpose of which is not within the powers of the voters to determine, or any proposition which fails to include a specific appropriation where the expenditure of monies is required by the proposition.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that voting scanners will be used to record

the vote on the budget, on all propositions, and on the election of members of the Board of Education.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Board of Education of the District has adopted rules for the Use of Voting Scanners and the Submission of questions or Propositions to be placed thereon; and printed copies of said Rules for general distribution in the District are available at the office of the District Clerk located at 1100 Ransom Road, Grand Island, New York.

By Order of the Board of Education Grand Island Central School District Grand Island, New York Janet J. Schuster, District Clerk

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