NOTICE OF BOND ELECTION

TO THE RESIDENT, QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE RED OAK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

District's Website: https://www.redoakisd.org/ County's Website: https://www.co.ellis.tx.us/312/Elections

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held in the Red Oak Independent School District on May 3, 2025 concerning the issuance of bonds in accordance with an order that reads substantially as follows:

AN ORDER CALLING A BOND ELECTION TO BE HELD BY THE RED OAK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, MAKING PROVISION FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION, AND RESOLVING OTHER MATTERS RELATED TO THAT ELECTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the *Board*) of the RED OAK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (the *District*), located in Ellis County, Texas (the *County*), finds and determines that a special election (the *Election*) should be held to determine whether the District will be authorized to issue bonds in the amount and for the purposes identified in this order (the *Order*); and

WHEREAS, the District will contract with the County, acting by and through its elections administrator (the *Administrator*) to conduct all aspects of the Election for all registered voters of the District; and

WHEREAS, the Election may be held jointly with other political subdivisions (collectively, the *Participants*) pursuant to a joint election or similar agreement according to the Texas Election Code, as amended (the *Code*); and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby finds and determines that the anticipated capital improvements identified in Measure A and corresponding Proposition A may be submitted to the qualified voters of the District as a single measure and corresponding proposition pursuant to Section 45.003(g) of the Texas Education Code because these capital improvements will be predominantly used for educational and administrative purposes, none of which are the type of facilities described in Section 45.003(g)(1-6) of the Texas Education Code; and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby finds and determines that the anticipated capital improvements identified in Measure B and corresponding Proposition B must be submitted to the qualified voters of the District as an additional measure and corresponding proposition because these facilities are the type of facilities described in Section 45.003(g)(3) of the Texas Education Code; and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby finds and determines that the anticipated capital improvements identified in Measure C and corresponding Proposition C must be submitted to the qualified voters of the District as an additional measure and corresponding proposition because these facilities are the type of facilities described in Section 45.003(g)(1) of the Texas Education Code; and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby finds and determines that the Administrator requires all ballot propositions to be sentence case and will not accept uppercase text; and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby finds and determines that the actions described above are in the best interests of the residents of the District; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE RED OAK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT:

SECTION 1. <u>Election Ordered; Purpose; Amount.</u> The Election will be held in the RED OAK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT on May 3, 2025 (*Election Day*), which is a uniform election date under the Code and is 78 or more days from the date of the adoption of this Order, for the purpose of submitting the following legal question to the qualified voters of the District:

Measure A

Should the Board of Trustees of the Red Oak Independent School District be authorized to issue and sell bonds of the District, in one or more series, in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$155,213,000 for the purposes of designing, constructing, renovating, improving, upgrading, updating, modernizing, acquiring, and equipping school facilities (and any necessary or related removal of existing facilities), with the bonds to mature, bear interest, and be issued and sold as permitted by law, and will the Board of Trustees of the District be authorized to levy and pledge, and cause to be assessed and collected, annual ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the District sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds?

Measure B

Should the Board of Trustees of the Red Oak Independent School District be authorized to issue and sell bonds of the District, in one or more series, in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$11,889,000 for the purposes of designing, constructing, renovating, improving, upgrading, updating, modernizing, acquiring, and equipping school recreational facilities, including a new track and field and improvements to the baseball and softball fields, with the bonds to mature, bear interest, and be issued and sold as permitted by law, and will the Board of Trustees of the District be authorized to levy and pledge, and cause to be assessed and collected, annual ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the District sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds?

Measure C

Should the Board of Trustees of the Red Oak Independent School District be authorized to issue and sell bonds of the District, in one or more series, in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$46,811,000 for the purposes of designing, constructing, renovating, improving, upgrading, updating, modernizing, acquiring, and equipping Goodloe Stadium and related infrastructure, with the bonds to mature, bear interest, and be issued and sold as permitted by law, and will the Board of Trustees of the District be authorized to levy and pledge, and cause to be assessed and collected, annual ad valorem taxes on all taxable

property in the District sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds?

<u>SECTION 2.</u> <u>Ballots.</u> The official ballots will permit voters to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the measures above with the following ballot language:

Red Oak Independent School District Proposition A

The issuance of bonds in the amount of \$155,213,000 for school facilities and the levy of taxes sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds. This is a property tax increase.

Red Oak Independent School District Proposition B

The issuance of bonds in the amount of \$11,889,000 for school athletic facilities, including turf, and the levy of taxes sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds. This is a property tax increase.

Red Oak Independent School District Proposition C

The issuance of bonds in the amount of \$46,811,000 for Goodloe Stadium and the levy of taxes sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds. This is a property tax increase.

SECTION 3. Polling Details.

- A. One or more District election precincts are established for Election Day from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. with one or more corresponding polling places as identified on Exhibit A to this Order. As permitted by the Code, polling places may be changed without further Board action; any changes will not affect this Order or subsequent notice of election.
- B. Exhibit A also includes the places, dates, and hours for early voting in person. As permitted by the Code, these details may be changed without further Board action; any changes will not affect this Order or subsequent notice of election. Applications for voting by mail should be received no later than the close of business on April 22, 2025. Applications should be sent to the Early Voting Clerk named below. If an application for ballot by mail is faxed or emailed (or if a federal postcard application is faxed), the applicant must also mail the original.
- SECTION 4. Election Officials. To the extent required by the Code or other applicable law, the appointment of election officials at polling locations will include a person fluent in the Spanish language.
- A. The Administrator will appoint Presiding Judges, Alternate Presiding Judges, and Election Clerks.
- B. The Early Voting Clerk is: Jana Onyon; mailing and physical address: 204 E. Jefferson St., Waxahachie, TX 75165; phone: (972) 825-5195; fax: (972) 923-5194; and email: elections@co.ellis.tx.us. The Early Voting Clerk will appoint the Deputy Early Voting Clerks.

- C. The Administrator is authorized to establish an Early Voting Ballot Board and to designate the Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board and, if needed, the members of Signature Verification Committee.
- D. The District is authorized to use a Central Counting Station (the *Station*) if needed. The Administrator or the Administrator's designee is appointed as the Manager of the Station with the authority to appoint the Tabulation Supervisor, the Programmer, and any Clerks.
- SECTION 5. Qualified Voters. The District's qualified voters (as defined by the Code) will be entitled to vote in the Election at the dates, times, and places reflected on Exhibit A.
- SECTION 6. Legal Compliance. The Election and notice of Election will be held and conducted according to the Code and other applicable law. To the extent required by law, materials relating to the Election will be printed in English, Spanish, and any other required language.
- SECTION 7. Debt Obligations. The following information is calculated based on bond market conditions as of the date of the adoption of this Order; is further explained in one or more voter information documents attached to this Order as exhibits; and is not intended to serve as a cap or other restriction should the bonds be authorized at the Election.
- A. The aggregate amount of the outstanding principal of the District's debt totaled \$149,670,000 (including maintenance tax debt, if any).
- B. The aggregate amount of the interest owed on the District's debt obligations, through respective maturity, totaled \$78,180,125.
- C. The District levied an advalorem debt service tax rate for its outstanding debt obligations of \$0.3481 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation.
- D. The maturity date of the proposed bonds will not exceed the maximum number of years authorized by law.
- E. The maximum interest rate for any series of bonds authorized at the Election is x% (expressed as a net effective interest rate).
- SECTION 8. Contracting Authority. The Board authorizes the District's President of the Board, the Superintendent of Schools, or their designees to negotiate and enter into one or more joint election agreements, election services contracts, or similar contracts with the County, acting by and through the Administrator, and any Participants if desired or if required to comply with applicable law.
- SECTION 9. Modifications. The Board acknowledges that information required to complete the Exhibits to this Order may not be available when the Election is ordered, and the Board therefore authorizes the District's Superintendent of Schools, the President of the Board, or their designees to correct, modify, or change the Exhibits to the extent permitted by applicable law. Additionally, the Board authorizes these individuals to make technical modifications to this Order that are necessary for compliance with applicable law or to carry out the intent of the Board as evidenced in this Order.

- SECTION 10. Findings. The recitals contained in the preamble of this Order are found to be true.
- SECTION 11. Conflicts. All orders and resolutions, or parts thereof, which are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Order are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Order will be and remain controlling as to the matters ordered herein.
- SECTION 12. Controlling Law. This Order will be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and the United States of America.
- SECTION 13. Open Meetings. It is officially found, determined, and declared that the meeting at which this Order is adopted was open to the public and public notice of the time, place, and subject matter of the public business to be considered at such meeting, including this Order, was given, all as required by Chapter 551, as amended, Texas Government Code.
- <u>SECTION 14.</u> <u>Severability.</u> If any provision of this Order or the application of this Order to any person or circumstance is held invalid, then the remainder of this Order remains effective.
 - <u>SECTION 15.</u> <u>Effective Date</u>. This Order is effective immediately upon its approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED on January 27, 2025. /s/Melanie Petersen

Exhibit A

Joint General and Special Elections *Elecciónes General y Especial Conjunta* **May 3, 2025** *03 de mayo de 2025*

Early Voting Vote Centers Centros de votación adelantada

Early Voting Location Dates and Times:

Ubicación, fechas, y horarios de la votación anticipada:

 Ellis County Woman's Building (Main Early Voting Location) 407 W Jefferson St. (Davis Hall) Midlothian Conference Ctr (Lobby) 1 Community Circle Dr. Palmer ISD Annex Bldg (Portable Bldg) 303 Bulldog Way Ellis County Sub-Courthouse (Conf. Rm) 207 S Sonoma Trail Red Oak Municipal Center (Evelyn Pitts Rm) 200 Lakeview Pkwy Waxahachie ISD Admin Bldg (Board Rm) 411 N. Gibson 			Waxahachie, TX 75166 Midlothian, TX 76065 Palmer, TX 75152 Ennis, TX 75119 Red Oak, TX 75154 Waxahachie, TX 75165
Tuesday, April 22, 2025	through	Friday, April 25, 2025	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
martes, 22 de abril de 2025	hasta	viernes, 25 de abril de 2025	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday, April 26, 2025			8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
sábado, 26 de abril de 2025			8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Monday, April 28, 2025	and	Tuesday, April 29, 2025	7:00 AM - 7:00 PM
lunes, 28 de abril de 2025	у	martes, 29 de abril de 2025	7:00 AM - 7:00 PM

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Election Day Vote Centers Centros de votación el día de las elecciones

Polls open from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm

Horario de votación estarán abiertos de 7:00 am a 7:00 pm

1	ELLIS COUNTY SUB-COURTHOUSE (Conf Rm) 207 S SONOMA TRAIL	ENNIS, TX 75119
2	FAITH ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH (Fellowship Hall) 1810 W BALDRIDGE ST.	ENNIS, TX 75119
3	ALMA CITY HALL (Council Chamber Rm) 104 INTERURBAN RD	ENNIS, TX 75119
4	FERRIS PUBLIC LIBRARY (Trussell Mtg Rm) 301 E 10TH STREET	FERRIS, TX 75125
5	ITALY COMMUNITY CENTER (Main Rm) 108 HARPOLD ST.	ITALY, TX 76651
6	BRITTON METHODIST CHURCH (Fellowship Hall) 4200 BRITTON RD	MANSFIELD, TX 76063
7	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH-MAYPEARL (Fellowship Hall) 5744 FM 66	MAYPEARL, TX 76064
8	MIDLOTHIAN CHURCH OF CHRIST (Foyer) 1627 N HWY 67	MIDLOTHIAN, TX 76065
9	MIDLOTHIAN CONFERENCE CTR (Lobby) 1 COMMUNITY CIRCLE DR	MIDLOTHIAN, TX 76065
10	MOUNTAIN PEAK COMMUNITY CHURCH (Sanctuary) 751 W. FM 875	MIDLOTHIAN, TX 76065
11	MILFORD SENIOR CITIZEN CTR (Main Rm) 109 S. MAIN ST	MILFORD, TX 76670
12	OVILLA CITY HALL (Council Chamber Rm) 105 S Cockrel Hill Rd	OVILLA, TX 75154
13	PALMER ISD ANNEX BUILDING (Portable Bldg) 303 BULLDOG WAY	PALMER, TX 75152
14	EASTRIDGE BAPTIST CHURCH (Family Activity Ctr) 732 E OVILLA RD	RED OAK, TX 75154
15	GRACE COVENANT CHURCH (Dining Hall) 212 N MAIN ST	RED OAK, TX 75154
16	RED OAK MUNICIPAL CENTER (Pitts Rm) 200 LAKEVIEW PKWY	RED OAK, TX 75154
17	ELLIS COUNTY WOMANS BUILDING (Davis Hall) 407 W JEFFERSON ST.	WAXAHACHIE, TX 75165
18	PARK MEADOWS BAPTIST CHURCH (Youth Rm) 3350 N HWY 77	WAXAHACHIE, TX 75165
19	MARVIN BIOMEDICAL ACADEMY (Gym) 110 BROWN STREET	WAXAHACHIE, TX 75165

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Exhibit B (Anexo B)

VOTER INFORMATION DOCUMENT [not part of the contract with voters] (DOCUMENTO DE INFORMATIVO PARA LOS VOTANTES) [no forma parte del contrato con las votantes]

Red Oak Independent School District Proposition A: (Propuesta A del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Red Oak:)

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□ For	The issuance of bonds in the amount of	La emisión de bonos por un mont	
(a favor)	\$155,213,000 for school facilities and the	\$155,213,000 para instalaciones e	•
	levy of taxes sufficient to pay the principal	imposición de impuestos suficient	
	of and interest on the bonds. This is a	el capital y los intereses de los bo	
□ Against	property tax increase.	incremento del impuesto a la pro	piedad.
(en contra)			
principal of debt	obligations to be authorized (capital de obligad	ciones de deuda que se autorizará)	\$155,213,000
	t for the debt obligations to be authorized pre para las obligaciones de deuda que se autoriz)		\$155,186,697
obligations to be	ned principal and interest required to pay on ti authorized amortized over <u>30</u> years (capital e agar a tiempo y en su totalidad las obligacione e <u>30</u> años)	intereses consolidados estimados	\$310,399,697
	e election was ordered, principal of all outstand e ordenó la elección, el capital de todas las obli		\$149,670,000
	election was ordered, the estimated interest tir de la fecha en que se ordenó la elección, el euda pendientes)		\$ 78,180,125
debt obligations a	ned principal and interest required to pay on ti amortized over <u>28</u> years (capital e intereses co apo y en su totalidad las obligaciones de deudo	nsolidados estimados necesarios	\$227,850,125
assessed valuatio	election was ordered, the ad valorem debt se n (a partir de la fecha en que se ordenó la elec io de la deuda por cada \$100 de valuación tas	ción, la tasa impositiva ad	\$0.3481
appraised value o	um annual increase in the amount of taxes on of \$100,000 to repay the debt obligations to be náximo estimado de la cantidad de impuestos o de \$100,000 para saldar las obligaciones de c	authorized, if approved sobre una residencia principal con	\$0
_	es application of a homestead exemption of \$ exención de vivienda de \$100,000.)	100,000. (Esta cifra supone la	
As noted above, this figure makes conservative assumptions about the amortization period of the debt obligations and the estimated interest rate. (Como se señaló anteriormente, esta cifra hace suposiciones conservadoras sobre el período de amortización de las obligaciones de deuda y la tasa de interés estimada.)			
the next <u>5</u> years a futuros estimados	appraised values in the District are assumed to and then remain unchanged thereafter. (Se asu as en el Distrito aumentarán un <u>10</u> % cada año a an cambios a partir de entonces.)	ıme que los valores tasados	

Exhibit C (Anexo C)

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Red Oak Independent School District Proposition B: (Propuesta B del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Red Oak:)

	trito Escolar independiente de Red Odk:)		
□ For	The issuance of bonds in the amount of	La emisión de bonos por un mont	
(a favor)	\$11,889,000 for school athletic facilities,	\$11,889,000 para instalaciones de	•
	including turf, and the levy of taxes	escolares, incluido el césped, y la	=
	sufficient to pay the principal of and	impuestos suficientes para pagar	
□ Against	interest on the bonds. This is a property	intereses de los bonos. Este es un	incremento
(en contra)	tax increase.	del impuesto a la propiedad.	
principal of debt of	obligations to be authorized (capital de obliga	ciones de deuda que se autorizará)	\$11,889,000
	t for the debt obligations to be authorized pre para las obligaciones de deuda que se autoriz I	=	\$11,886,985
obligations to be	ned principal and interest required to pay on t authorized amortized over <u>30</u> years (capital e agar a tiempo y en su totalidad las obligacion e <u>30</u> años)	intereses consolidados estimados	\$23,775,985
	election was ordered, principal of all outstan e ordenó la elección, el capital de todas las obl		\$149,670,000
as of the date the election was ordered, the estimated interest on all outstanding debt obligations (a partir de la fecha en que se ordenó la elección, el interés estimado de todas las obligaciones de deuda pendientes)			\$ 78,180,125
estimated combin	ned principal and interest required to pay on t	ime and in full all outstanding	\$227,850,125
	amortized over <u>28</u> years (capital e intereses co	=	, , ,
_	npo y en su totalidad las obligaciones de deudo		
assessed valuation	election was ordered, the ad valorem debt se n (a partir de la fecha en que se ordenó la elec io de la deuda por cada \$100 de valuación tas	ción, la tasa impositiva ad	\$0.3481
estimated maxim	um annual increase in the amount of taxes on	a residence homestead with an	\$0
	of \$100,000 to repay the debt obligations to be		70
• •	náximo estimado de la cantidad de impuestos		
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the next 5 years a futuros estimados	appraised values in the District are assumed t and then remain unchanged thereafter. (Se as as en el Distrito aumentarán un 10% cada año d a cambios a partir de entonces.)	ume que los valores tasados	

Exhibit D (Anexo D)

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Red Oak Independent School District Proposition C: (Propuesta C del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Red Oak:)

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□ For	The issuance of bonds in the amount of	La emisión de bonos por un mont	o de
(a favor)	\$46,811,000 for Goodloe Stadium and the	\$46,811,000 para el Estadio Good	·•
	levy of taxes sufficient to pay the principal	imposición de impuestos suficient	tes para pagar
□ Against	of and interest on the bonds. This is a	el capital y los intereses de los bo	nos. Este es un
(en contra)	property tax increase.	incremento del impuesto a la pro	piedad.
principal of debt	obligations to be authorized (capital de obligac	ciones de deuda que se autorizará)	\$46,811,000
estimated interes	t for the debt obligations to be authorized pre	suming an interest rate of <u>5.00</u> %	\$46,803,067
(interés estimado interés del <u>5.00</u> %)	para las obligaciones de deuda que se autoriz)	arán asumiendo una tasa de	
	ned principal and interest required to pay on ti		\$93,614,067
_	authorized amortized over <u>30</u> years (capital e l lagar a tiempo y en su totalidad las obligacione e <u>30</u> años)		
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	e election was ordered, principal of all outstand e ordenó la elección, el capital de todas las obli		\$149,670,000
	e election was ordered, the estimated interest tir de la fecha en que se ordenó la elección, el euda pendientes)		\$ 78,180,125
debt obligations a	ned principal and interest required to pay on ti amortized over <u>28</u> years (capital e intereses con apo y en su totalidad las obligaciones de deuda	nsolidados estimados necesarios	\$227,850,125
as of the date the	election was ordered, the ad valorem debt se	rvice tax rate per \$100 of taxable	\$0.3481
assessed valuatio	n (a partir de la fecha en que se ordenó la elec	ción, la tasa impositiva ad	
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