

ORDER CALLING SCHOOL BUILDING BOND ELECTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the Hermleigh Independent School District (the "District") has the power to issue bonds pursuant to Chapter 45, Texas Education Code; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it is necessary and appropriate to call and conduct an election to obtain voter authorization for the issuance of such bonds; and

WHEREAS, the District may enter into one or more election agreements (the "Election Agreements") with Scurry County (the "County"), by and through the County's election administrator or other election officer and possibly other political subdivisions, in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas (the "State") and applicable federal law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE HERMLEIGH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Section 1. Call of Election; Date; Eligible Electors; and Hours. An election (the "Election") shall be held on May 2, 2026 ("Election Day"), which is seventy-eight (78) or more days from the date of the adoption of this order (the "Election Order"), within and throughout the territory of the District at which all resident, qualified electors of the District shall be entitled to vote. The Board hereby finds that holding the Election on such date is in the public interest. The hours during which the polling places are to be open on Election Day shall be from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Section 2. Polling Places; Election Officers. One or more school election precincts are hereby established for the purpose of holding the Election, and one or more polling places are hereby designated for holding the Election in the school election precincts as identified in Exhibit A attached hereto. Unless inconsistent with the Election Agreements, a single precinct is designated to cover the District in the event that precincts are not specified within Exhibit A. The precinct judges and alternate judges for the Election shall be appointed in accordance with the Texas Election Code (the "Election Code").

In the event that the Superintendent, or the Superintendent's designee, shall determine from time to time that (a) a polling place hereafter designated shall become unavailable or unsuitable for such use, or it would be in the District's best interests to relocate such polling place, or (b) a presiding judge or alternate presiding judge hereafter designated shall become unqualified or unavailable, the Superintendent, or the Superintendent's designee, is hereby authorized to designate and appoint in writing a substitute polling place, presiding judge or alternate presiding judge, and correct or modify the exhibits to this Election Order, giving such notice as is required by the Election Code and as deemed sufficient.

Section 3. Proposition(s). At the Election there shall be submitted to the resident, qualified electors of the District the following proposition (the "Proposition"):

Hermleigh Independent School District - Proposition A

Shall the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the Hermleigh Independent School District (the "District") be authorized to issue bonds of the District, in one or more series or installments, in the amount of \$12,000,000 for the construction, acquisition, rehabilitation, renovation, expansion and equipment of school buildings and the purchase of new school buses, which bonds shall mature, bear interest and be issued and sold in accordance with law at the time of issuance; and shall the Board be authorized to levy, impose 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, and the costs of any credit agreements (including credit agreements executed or authorized in anticipation of, in relation to, or in connection with the bonds), all as authorized by the constitution and laws of the State of Texas and the United States of America?

Section 4. Ballots. The ballots shall conform to the requirements of the Election Code and shall allow voters to vote "For" or "Against" the following ballot measure:

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THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE.

The issuance of \$12,000,000 of bonds for the construction, acquisition, rehabilitation, renovation, expansion and equipment of school buildings and the purchase of new school buses, and the levy and imposition of taxes sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the costs of any credit agreements.

Section 5. Voting. Electronic voting machines may be used in holding and conducting the Election on Election Day; provided, however, in the event the use of such electronic voting machines is not practicable, the Election may be conducted on Election Day by the use of paper ballots (except as otherwise provided in this Section). Electronic voting machines or paper ballots may be used for early voting by personal appearance (except as otherwise provided in this Section). As required by the Election Code, the District shall provide at least one accessible voting system in each polling place used in the Election. Such voting system shall comply with Texas and federal laws establishing the requirement for voting systems that permit voters with physical disabilities to cast a secret ballot. Paper ballots may be used for early voting by mail.

Each voter desiring to vote in favor of the Proposition shall mark the ballot indicating "For" the Proposition, and each voter desiring to vote against the Proposition shall mark the ballot indicating "Against" the Proposition. Voting will be conducted in accordance with the Election Code.

Section 6. Early Voting. The Board hereby appoints the person named below (the "Administrator") as the regular early voting clerk. Early voting, both by personal appearance and by mail, will be conducted in accordance with the Election Code. Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted at the locations, on the dates and at the times as shown in Exhibit B. For the use of those voters who are entitled by law to vote early by mail, the early voting clerk

shall provide each voter with a ballot with instructions to mark the ballot indicating his or her vote "For" or "Against" the Proposition. The contact information for the Administrator (including the mailing address to which ballot applications and ballots voted by mail may be sent) is as follows:

Name: Marci Beard

Official Mailing Address: Hermleigh ISD, 8010 Business 84 H, Hermleigh, Texas 79526

Physical Address: Hermleigh ISD, 8010 Business 84 H, Hermleigh, Texas 79526

E-mail Address: mbeard@hermleigh.esc14.net

Phone Number: (325) 863-2451

Fax Number: (325) 863-2713

Website Address: <https://www.hermleigh.esc14.net/>

The Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to designate the early voting ballot board and other officers required to conduct early voting for the Election.

Section 7. Conduct of Election. The Election shall be conducted by election officers, including the judges and alternate judges or clerks appointed by the Board, in accordance with the Election Agreements, the Education Code, the Election Code and the Constitution and laws of the State and the United States of America. The President of the Board of Trustees, the Superintendent, and their respective designees, are authorized to enter into, execute and deliver one or more Election Agreements, in accordance with applicable provisions of the Election Code. The terms and provisions of each Election Agreement are hereby incorporated into this Election Order and are hereby approved. To the extent of any conflict between this Election Order and an Election Agreement, the terms and provisions of the Election Agreement shall prevail, and the President of the Board of Trustees, the Superintendent, and their respective designees, are authorized to make such corrections, changes, revisions and modifications to this Election Order, including the exhibits hereto, as are deemed necessary or appropriate to conform to the Election Agreement, to comply with applicable state and federal law and to carry out the intent of the Board, as evidenced by this Election Order. The Administrator shall be responsible for establishing the central counting station for the ballots cast in the Election and appointing the personnel necessary for such station.

Section 8. Bilingual Election Materials. All notices, instructions, and ballots pertaining to the Election shall be furnished to voters in English and Spanish (as well Chinese and/or Vietnamese if required by applicable law) and persons capable of acting as translators in English and Spanish (as well Chinese and/or Vietnamese if required by applicable law) shall be made available to assist voters in understanding and participating in the election process.

Section 9. Delivery of Voted Ballots; Counting; Tabulation; Canvassing of Returns; Declaring Results. The ballots shall be counted by one or more teams of election officers assigned by the presiding judges, each team to consist of two or more election officers. After completion of his responsibilities under the Election Code, including the counting of the voted ballots and the tabulation of the results, the presiding judge shall make a written return of the Election results to the District in accordance with the Election Code. The Board shall canvass the returns and declare the results of the Election.

If a majority of the resident, qualified electors of the District voting at the Election, including those voting early, shall vote in favor of the Proposition, then the issuance and sale of the bonds described in the Proposition shall be authorized in the maximum amount contained therein, and the bonds shall be issued and sold at the price or prices and in such denominations determined by the Board to be in the District's best interest. Proceeds of bonds issued and sold pursuant to the Proposition shall be used in accordance with any limitations imposed by Section 45.003(g), Education Code and any unspent proceeds shall be used in accordance with Section 45.1105, Education Code.

Section 10. Training of Election Officials. Pursuant to the Election Code, a public school of instruction for all election officers and clerks may be held as arranged or contracted by the Administrator.

Section 11. Notice of Election; Voter Information Document. Notice of the Election shall be given in the manner required by the Election Code and other applicable law. To the extent required by law, the notice of the Election shall include the District's internet website address, which is <https://www.hermleigh.esc14.net/>.

A voter information document for the Proposition in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit C** is hereby approved, together with such revisions as may be approved by the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designees, and shall be posted and provided in accordance with law.

Section 12. Notice of Meeting. It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Order was adopted was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as amended.

Section 13. Mandatory Statement of Information. (a) Pursuant to Section 3.009, Texas Election Code: (i) the proposition language that will appear on the ballot is set forth in Section 4 of this Election Order, (ii) the purposes for which the bonds are to be authorized are set forth in Section 3 of this Election Order, (iii) the principal amount of bonds to be authorized is set forth in Section 3 of this Election Order, (iv) if the issuance of bonds is authorized by voters, taxes sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the costs of any credit agreements may be imposed, as set forth in Section 3 of this Election Order, (v) bonds authorized pursuant to this Election Order may be issued to mature over a specified number of years not to exceed the lesser of forty (40) years or the maximum number of years authorized by law and bearing interest at the rate or rates (not to exceed 15%), as authorized by law and determined by the Board, (vi) as of the date of the adoption of this Election Order, the aggregate amount of outstanding principal of the District's debt obligations is \$[1,915,000.00] and the aggregate amount of outstanding interest on the District's debt obligations is \$[113,625.00], and (vii) the District's ad valorem debt service tax rate as of the date of adoption of this Election Order is \$0.00 per \$100 valuation of taxable property.

(b) Based upon market conditions as of the date of this Election Order, the maximum net effective interest rate for any series of the bonds is estimated to be [5.00]%. Such estimated maximum interest rate is provided as a matter of information but is not a limitation on the interest rate at which the bonds, or any series thereof, may be sold. In addition, the estimate

contained in this subsection (b) is (i) based on certain assumptions (including assumptions concerning prevailing market and economic conditions at the time(s) of issuance of the bonds) and derived from projections obtained from the District's financial advisor, (ii) subject to change to the extent that actual facts, circumstances and conditions prevailing at the time that the bonds are issued differ from such assumptions and projections, (iii) provided solely in satisfaction of the requirements of Section 3.009, Texas Election Code, and for no other purpose, without any assurance that such projections will be realized, and (iv) not intended to and does not give rise to a contract with voters or limit the authority of the Board to issue bonds in accordance with the Proposition submitted by this Election Order.

Section 14. Authority of the Superintendent. The Superintendent shall have the authority to take, or cause to be taken, all reasonable or necessary actions to ensure that the Election is fairly held and returns properly counted and tabulated for canvass by the Board, which actions are hereby ratified and confirmed. Without limiting the generality of the immediately preceding sentence, the Superintendent and the Superintendent's designees are hereby authorized to complete and update, as necessary, the exhibits hereto with the necessary information as same is made available to the District.

Section 15. Authorization to Execute. The President or Vice President of the Board is authorized to execute and the Secretary of the Board is authorized to attest this Election Order on behalf of the Board; and the President or Vice President of the Board is authorized to do all other things legal and necessary in connection with the holding and consummation of the Election.

Section 16. Effective Date. This Election Order is effective immediately upon its passage and approval.

[Signature page follows]

CERTIFICATE FOR ORDER

I, the undersigned officer of the Hermleigh Independent School District (the "District"), hereby certify as follows:

1. The Board of Trustees of the District (the "Board") convened in a Special (regular or special) meeting on 2-6-2022 (date), at the regular meeting place thereof within the District, and the roll was called of the duly constituted officers and members of the Board, to-wit:

Kevin Tate	President
Joe Taylor	Vice President
John Pence	Secretary
Bridget Claxton	Trustee
Blaine Minton	Trustee
Kasey Nachlinger	Trustee
Gerald Rodriguez	Trustee

and all of such persons were present, except _____, thus constituting a quorum. Whereupon, among other business, the following was transacted at such meeting: a written

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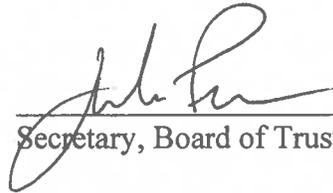
was duly introduced for the consideration of such Board. It was then duly moved and seconded that such order be adopted; and, after due discussion, such motion, carrying with it the adoption of such order, prevailed and carried by the following vote:

5 Ayes 2 Noes 0 Abstained

2. That a true, full and correct copy of the aforesaid order adopted at the meeting described in the above and foregoing paragraph is attached to and follows this certificate; that such order has been duly recorded in the Board's minutes of such meeting; that the above and foregoing paragraph is a true, full and correct excerpt from the Board's minutes of such meeting pertaining to the adoption of such order; that the persons named in the above and foregoing paragraph are the duly chosen, qualified and acting officers and members of the Board as indicated therein; that each of the officers and members of the Board was duly and sufficiently notified officially and personally, in advance, of the date, hour, place and purpose of the aforesaid meeting, and that the order would be introduced and considered for adoption at such meeting, and each of such officers and members consented, in advance, to the holding of such meeting for such purpose; that such meeting was open to the public as required by law; and that public notice of the date, hour, place and subject of such meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as amended.

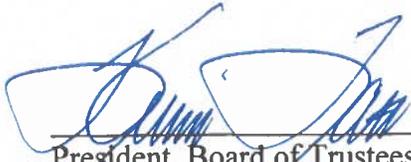
[Signature page follows]

SIGNED AND SEALED this 2-6-2026.


Secretary, Board of Trustees

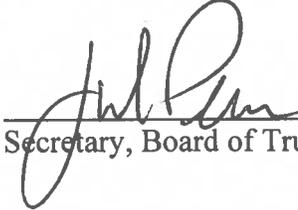
(DISTRICT SEAL)

PASSED AND APPROVED this 2-6-2026.



President, Board of Trustees

ATTEST:



Secretary, Board of Trustees

EXHIBIT A

Election Day Polling Place Information

Election Day and Times:

Saturday, May 2, 2026: 7:00am to 7:00pm

Election Day Polling Places:

Hermleigh ISD, 8010 Business 84 H, Hermleigh, Texas 79526

EXHIBIT B¹

Early Voting Polling Place Information

Early Voting Dates and Times:

Monday, April 20, 2026: 12:00pm to 4:00pm
Tuesday, April 21, 2026: Holiday – no voting
Wednesday, April 22, 2026: 12:00pm to 4:00pm
Thursday, April 23, 2026: 12:00pm to 4:00pm
Friday, April 24, 2026: 8:00am to 12:00pm
Monday, April 27, 2026: 12:00pm to 4:00pm
Tuesday, April 28, 2026: 12:00pm to 4:00pm

Main/Sole Early Voting Polling Place:

Hermleigh ISD, 8010 Business 84 H, Hermleigh, Texas 79526

¹ This Exhibit shall be updated by the Superintendent, the Superintendent's designee(s) and/or the District's Bond Counsel with information as and when received from the District.

² This Exhibit shall be updated by the Superintendent and/or the Superintendent's designee(s) in consultation with the District's Bond Counsel as to legal sufficiency.