A RESOLUTION CANVASSING THE RETURNS AND DECLARING THE RESULTS OF TWO SPECIAL ELECTIONS (A VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATIFICATION ELECTION AND A BOND ELECTION); AND OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the *Board*) of the Devine Independent School District (the *District*) ordered an election to be held on November 7, 2023 (the *Election*) for the purposes outlined in Propositions A and B below; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed and investigated all matters pertaining to the Election, including the ordering, notices, election officers, holding, and returns thereof; and

WHEREAS, the Board has diligently inquired into the poll lists and the official election returns that were duly and lawfully made to the Board by the judges and clerks holding and conducting the Election; and

WHEREAS, the precinct returns are attached and incorporated for all purposes; and

WHEREAS, from these returns, this Board hereby finds that the following votes were cast in the Election by qualified voters of the District:

PROPOSITION A

RATIFYING THE AD VALOREM TAX RATE OF \$0.9670 PER \$100 VALUATION IN THE DEVINE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE CURRENT YEAR, A RATE THAT WILL RESULT IN AN INCREASE OF 0 PERCENT IN MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS TAX REVENUE FOR THE DISTRICT FOR THE CURRENT YEAR AS COMPARED TO THE PRECEDING YEAR, WHICH IS AN ADDITIONAL \$0.

	For	Against
Early Votes in Person	396	135
Early Votes by Mail (absentee)	2	4
Election Day Votes	319	149
TOTAL	717	288

Under Votes, if any:	38	Total	Votes Cast:	1035	3.3
Provisional Ballots, if	any: Counted	l:	U	ncounted:	11

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PROPOSITION B

THE ISSUANCE OF \$11,255,000 OF BONDS BY THE DEVINE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR SCHOOL FACILITIES, WITH PRIORITY GIVEN TO DISTRICT-WIDE SAFETY AND SECURITY RENOVATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS, AND THE LEVYING OF A TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF. THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE.

	For	Against
Early Votes in Person	313	219
Early Votes by Mail (absentee)		5
Election Day Votes	236	236
TOTAL	550	460

Under Votes, if any: 32	Total	Votes Cast: 034	_ ,
Provisional Ballots, if any: Counted:	:	Uncounted:	

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE DEVINE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT:

SECTION 1: The Board officially finds, determines, and declares that the Election was properly ordered, that proper legal notice of the Election was given, that proper election officers were appointed prior to the Election, that the Election was legally held, that all qualified voters of the District were permitted to vote at the Election, that returns of the results of the Election had been made and delivered, and that the Board has canvassed such returns, all in accordance with the state and federal laws and the order calling the Election.

SECTION 2: A <u>MAJORITY</u> of the qualified voters of the District voting in the Election, having voted <u>FOR</u> Proposition A, the Board hereby finds and determines that this Proposition carried at the Election and that the Board is hereby accordingly authorized to levy the tax in accordance with the law and the authority granted in Proposition A and the corresponding Measure stated in the District's election order.

SECTION 3: A <u>MAJORITY</u> of the qualified voters of the District voting in the Election, having voted <u>FOR</u> Proposition B, the Board hereby finds and determines that this Proposition carried at the Election and that the Board is hereby accordingly authorized to issue the bonds and levy the tax in accordance with the law and the authority granted in Proposition B and the corresponding Measure stated in the District's election order.

SECTION 4: The President of the Board is authorized to execute this Resolution, and the Secretary of the Board is authorized to certify this Resolution regardless of their participation in the quorum required by the Election Code.

SECTION 5: The recitals contained in the preamble of this Resolution are hereby found to be true, and such recitals are hereby made a part of this Resolution for all purposes and are adopted as a part of the judgment and findings of the Board.

SECTION 6: All orders and resolutions, or parts thereof, which are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Resolution shall be and remain controlling as to the matters resolved herein.

SECTION 7: This Resolution shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and the United States of America.

SECTION 8: If any provision of this Resolution or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be held to be invalid, the remainder of this Resolution and the application of such provision to other persons and circumstances shall nevertheless be valid, and the Board hereby declares that this Resolution would have been enacted without such invalid provision.

SECTION 9: It is officially found, determined, and declared that the meeting at which this Resolution 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 Resolution, was given, all as required by Chapter 551, as amended, Texas Government Code.

SECTION 10: This Resolution shall be in force and effect from and after its final passage and it is so resolved.

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PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED on November 13, 2023, the date of the canvassing meeting.

DEVINE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Nancy Pepper

President, Board of Trustees

ATTEST:

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Secretary, Board of Trustees

(DISTRICT SEAL)