

Tax Rate Statement of Measure H

ACADEMIC AND JOB TRAINING CLASSROOM IMPROVEMENT ELECTION

An election will be held in the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District (the "District") on November 5, 2024 to authorize the sale of up to \$35,000,000 in general obligation bonds (the "2024 Bond Authorization"). If such bonds are authorized and sold, principal and interest on the bonds will be payable only from the proceeds of *ad valorem* tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information is submitted in compliance with Sections 9400-9406 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.

The following information is provided pursuant to Elections Code Section 9401:

- 1. The best estimate of the average annual tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is 3.00¢ per \$100 (\$30.00 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation. It is currently expected that the tax will be collected until fiscal year 2053-54.
- 2. The best estimate of the highest tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue, for each year that bonds are outstanding, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing this statement, is 3.00¢ per \$100 (\$30.00 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation, which is projected to be the same in every fiscal year the bonds remain outstanding.
- 3. The best estimate of total debt service, including principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold will be approximately \$76.0 million.

Voters should note that these estimates are based on projections derived from information obtained from official sources, and are based on the assessed value (<u>not</u> market value) of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls. 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 amounts are not maximum amounts and durations and are not binding upon the District. The actual debt service, tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary depending on the timing of bond sales, the par amount of bonds sold at each sale and actual increases in assessed valuations. The timing of the bond sales 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 considerations. Actual 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.

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