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SECTION I. ACCOUNTABILITY SAFEGUARDS

The provisions in this section are specifically included in this proposition in order that the King City Union School District's voters and taxpayers may be assured that their money will be spent wisely to address specific facilities needs of the King City Union School District, all in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the State Constitution, and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (codified at Education Code Sections 15264 and following).

<u>Evaluation of Needs</u>. The Board of Trustees has prepared an updated facilities plan in order to evaluate and address all of the facilities needs of the King City Union School District, and to determine which projects to finance from a local bond at this time. The Board of Trustees hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs in developing the Bond Project List.

Limitation on Use of Bond Proceeds. The State of California does not have the power to take locally approved school district bond funds for any State purposes. Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses. Proceeds of the bonds may be used to pay or reimburse the District for the cost of District staff when performing work on or necessary and incidental to the bond projects.

Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee. The Board of Trustees shall establish a new or empower an existing independent Citizens' Oversight Committee (pursuant to Education Code Section 15278 and following), to ensure bond proceeds are spent only for the school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List. The committee shall be established within 60 days of the date when the results of the election appear in the minutes of the Board of Trustees.

<u>Annual Performance Audits</u>. The Board of Trustees shall conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List.

<u>Annual Financial Audits</u>. The Board of Trustees shall conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the bond proceeds until all of those proceeds have been spent for the school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List.

Special Bond Proceeds Account; Annual Report to Board. Upon approval of this proposition and the sale of any bonds approved, the Board of Trustees shall take actions necessary pursuant to Government Code Section 53410 and following to establish an account in which proceeds of the sale of bonds will be deposited. As long as any proceeds of the bonds remain unexpended, the Superintendent of the District shall cause a report to be filed with the Board no later than December 31 of each year, commencing December 31st of the first year in which bonds are issued and proceeds are spent, stating (1) the amount of bond proceeds received and expended in that year, and (2) the status of any project funded or to be funded from bond proceeds. The report may relate to the calendar year, fiscal year, or other appropriate annual period as the Superintendent shall determine, and may be incorporated into the annual budget, audit, or other appropriate routine report to the Board.

<u>Single Purpose</u>. All of the purposes enumerated in this proposition shall be united and voted upon as one single proposition, pursuant to Section 15100 of the California Education Code, and all the enumerated purposes shall constitute the specific single purpose of the bonds and proceeds of the Bonds shall be spent only for such purpose.

Other Terms of the Bonds. The Bonds may be issued and sold in several series, and in accordance with a financing plan determined by the Board of Trustees pursuant to requirements of law. When sold, the Bonds shall bear interest at an annual rate not exceeding the statutory maximum and with a maximum term not exceeding the statutory maximum, provided that the average useful life of bonds sold will not exceed one hundred twenty percent (120%) of the average life of the projects being financed or as otherwise provided by federal tax law. Bond funds may be used to reimburse the District for Bond Project list expenditures incurred prior to the election and bond issuance, in accordance with federal tax law.

SECTION II. BOND PROJECT LIST

This Bond Project List, which is an integral part of this measure, describes the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds of the bonds. All information contained within this "Section II: Bond Project List" comprises the Bond Project List and description of permissible projects and expenses that may be paid from bond proceeds.



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In order to meet all identified facility needs, the District intends to complete projects using a combination of funding sources, including joint use funds or contributions, development impact fees, and state funding (if available). The District will pursue state matching funds if and when they become available and, if received, they will be used for projects on the Bond Project List or other high priority capital outlay expenditures as permitted by law. Approval of this measure does not guarantee that all projects on this Bond Project List at all listed sites will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by this measure. The District's proposal for the projects assumes the receipt of some state matching funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure. Bond funds may be used to meet any matching share contribution requirements.

Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, replacement, furnishing and equipping of school facilities, and the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, all as listed on the Bond Project List. All projects to be financed with bonds authorized by this measure listed on the Bond Project List have been determined by the District to be "school facilities" as that term is used in the California Constitution. "School facilities" include projects at school sites as well as administrative and teacher/staff support facilities which are necessary for, and related to, the delivery of high-quality education services. Projects listed below may be completed at any and all properties, school sites and facilities where such project is determined necessary, and projects are authorized to be performed at each and all of the District's schools, sites and facilities, including administrative and ancillary support facilities, whether owned, leased or yet to be acquired.

Specific projects to be funded by the bond measure include, without limitation, the following:

- Make health and safety improvements, such as installing necessary seismic reinforcements, repairing termite damage and
 repairing and/or replacing aging building materials including removal of hazardous materials identified either prior to or
 during construction
- Acquire, install and/or upgrade campus safety and security systems, including intercom and emergency communications
 systems, fire alarm systems, interior and exterior lighting systems, bell systems, signage, video surveillance systems, install
 additional fencing and gates, pedestrian access, walkways, lighting, reconfigure entrances and drop-off/pickup locations,
 point of entry access and upgrade door locks
- Federal and State-mandated Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility upgrades district-wide including site access, walkways, parking, staff and student restrooms, relocation of some existing electrical devices, drinking fountains, ramp placements, playground equipment and classrooms
- Renovate, repair, replace, expand, construct and/or install playfields, turf fields, running tracks, gyms, courts, playgrounds, shade structures, play surfaces, other indoor and outdoor physical activity and athletic facilities, locker rooms and all related improvements and equipment
- Repair, replace, resurface deteriorating asphalt, concrete, sidewalks, parking lots, driveways and walkways
- Renovate, repair and update restrooms and drinking fountains
- Expand, modernize, construct, retrofit central kitchen, equipment, cafeteria, serving areas and indoor and outdoor dining areas and all related improvements to support food services
- Construct, renovate, modernize and expand school administration and district support facilities at existing school sites
- Expand, modernize, upgrade, renovate existing classrooms and construct new classroom
- Construct and equip new transitional kindergarten classrooms, learning spaces and play areas
- Renovate, expand and modernize classroom, workroom, office and conference room spaces for special education classes, mental health, wellness and counseling
- Provide adequate furniture, equipment and storage spaces for all classrooms and school facilities
- Expand, modernize, retrofit multipurpose rooms and auditoriums for after-school programs and performing arts programs
- Improve energy efficiency and sustainability including installation of energy efficient lighting and systems, solar panels, battery storage, and electric vehicle charging stations
- Repair, modernize outdated portable classrooms or replace with permanent modern facilities
- Improve, upgrade and expand student and staff access to updated and modern technology, including acquiring and installing all necessary network infrastructure and connections, internet, wi-fi, wiring, hardware, software, computers, devices,



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classroom technology tools, data backup systems and remote learning software

- Replace, repair, modernize deteriorating roofs, leaking pipes, outdated plumbing, sewer and gas lines, waterlines, storm drains, gutters and valves, heating, cooling, ventilation systems and electrical systems
- Renovate and modernize classrooms and school facilities including flooring, windows, window coverings, doors, lighting, interior and exterior finishes, and paint

Listed projects, repairs, improvements, rehabilitation projects and upgrades will be completed only as needed, and the listing of projects does not imply a particular prioritization among such improvements. Projects may be done in phases, based on Board of Trustees priorities and available funding. Listed projects may be completed at any and all District schools, sites, properties (owned, leased or yet to be acquired) and education buildings where such project is determined necessary. Bond projects are anticipated to provide benefit to all users of school facilities, sites and buildings, including charter schools that occupy school campuses, community members and other organizations.

Decisions regarding the scope, function, timing, location, prioritization or other facets of project implementation for school facility projects listed on the Bond Project List will be made solely by the Board of Trustees by subsequent action, including the interpretation, meaning and intent of each listed project. Where terms such as "renovate," "upgrade," "replace," "improve" and "repair" are used in the Bond Project List, the Board of Trustees has the discretion to determine the best method for accomplishing the project's objective, including the use of new construction. For any listed project involving renovation or modernization of a building or the major portion of a building, the District may proceed with new replacement construction instead (including any necessary demolition), if the District determines that replacement and new construction is more practical than renovation, considering the building's age, condition, expected remaining life, comparative cost and other relevant factors. In addition, this measure authorizes the acquisition of real property, including necessary rights of ways or other real property interests, required to expand District facilities, to provide access to school or other District facilities, or to provide additional school or related facilities. Where feasible, projects may be completed in partnership with other public or private agencies on a joint use basis using bond proceeds, subject to federal tax rules and regulations.

Each project is assumed to include its share of costs of bond issuance, architectural, engineering, legal, accounting and similar planning costs and professional services; litigation costs; construction management; bond project consultants; staff development and training expenses associated with learning construction techniques and approaches and new bond-funded equipment and systems; the furnishing and equipping of all projects, including equipment to maintain facilities in a safe and clean condition; and a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs. Payment of the costs of preparation of facilities planning and project implementation studies, feasibility and assessment reviews, master planning, environmental studies, permit and inspection fees, Division of State Architect (DSA) - related requirements, studies and assessments, including ADA and seismic, and temporary housing, storage and relocation costs for dislocated programs or activities caused or necessitated by projects on the Bond Project List are permissible bond expenditures. Land may be acquired for any project, and all projects may be furnished and equipped using bond proceeds to ensure the functionality and usability of facilities and sites constructed or reconstructed with bond proceeds. Bond proceeds may be used to retire any interim funding incurred to advance fund projects described on the Bond Project List. The upgrading of technology infrastructure listed above includes, but is not limited to, computers, projectors, portable interface devices, servers, switches, routers, modules, sound projection systems, printers, digital white boards, document projectors, telephone system, call manager and network security/firewall, wireless technology systems and other miscellaneous equipment and software.

The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized and projects are completed. Based on the final costs of each project, certain of the projects described above may be delayed or may not be completed. Necessary site preparation, grading or restoration may occur in connection with acquisition of property, new construction, modernization, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of modular classrooms, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing or installing irrigation, utility lines, trees and landscaping, relocating fire access roads and acquiring any necessary easements, leases, licenses or rights of way to the property.

The Board of Trustees hereby declares, and the voters by approving this Bond Measure concur, that every section and part of this bond proposition has independent value, and the Board of Trustees and the voters would have adopted each provision hereof regardless of every other provision hereof. Upon approval of this measure by the voters, should any part be found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid for any reason, all remaining parts hereof shall remain in full force and effect to the fullest extent allowed by law, and to this end the provisions of this Bond Measure are severable.