NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING, BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION OF THE QUOGUE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a Public Hearing of the qualified voters of the Quogue Union Free School District, Town of Quogue, Suffolk County, New York, will be held in the Quogue School, 10 Edgewood Road, Quogue, New York 11959 in said district on May 11, 2021, at 7:15 p.m., prevailing time, for the transaction of business as authorized by the Education Law, including the following items:

- 1. To present to the voters a detailed statement of the amount of money which will be required for the 2021-2022 fiscal year.
- 2. To discuss all the items hereinafter set forth to be voted upon by paper ballot at the Budget Vote and Election to be held on Tuesday, May 18, 2021.
- 3. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting pursuant to Education Law of the State of New York and acts amendatory thereto.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required to fund the School District's budget for 2021-2022, exclusive of public moneys, may be obtained by any resident of the District beginning May 4, 2021 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., prevailing time, except Saturday, Sunday or holidays at the Office of the District Clerk, 10 Edgewood Road, Quogue, New York 11959, at the Quogue Library and on the District's internet website.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that said Budget Vote and Election will be held on Tuesday, May 18, 2021, in the Quogue School, 10 Edgewood Road, Quogue, New York 11959, between the hours of 2:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m., prevailing time, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by paper ballot upon the following items:

- 1. To adopt the annual budget of the School District for the fiscal year 2021-2022 and to authorize the requisite portion thereof to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the District.
- 2. To elect (1) member of the Board of Education for a three-year term commencing July 1, 2021, and expiring on June 30, 2024, to fill the positions held by Tim Carbone, whose term expire on June 30, 2021.
- 3. To adopt the annual budget of the Quogue Library for the 2021-2022 fiscal year and to authorize the requisite portion thereof to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the District.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to Section 495 of the Real Property Tax Law, the School District is required to attach to its proposed budget an exemption report. Said exemption report, which will also become part of the final budget, will show how the total assessed value of the final assessment roll used in the budgetary process is exempt from taxation, list every type of exemption granted by the statutory authority, and show the cumulative impact of each type of exemption, the cumulative amount expected to be received as payments in lieu of taxes (PILOT) and the cumulative impact of all exemptions granted. In addition, said exemption report shall be posted on any bulletin board maintained by the District for public notices and on any website maintained by the District.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed with the Clerk of said School District at her office in Quogue School, 10 Edgewood Road, Quogue, New York 11959, not later than April 19, 2021, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., prevailing time. Each petition shall be directed to the Clerk of the District; must be signed by at least 25 voters, which is greater than 2% of the number of voters who voted in the 2019 election. Vacancies on the Board of Education are not considered separate, specific offices; candidates run at large. Nominating petitions shall not describe any specific vacancy upon the Board for which the candidate is nominated.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that all persons who wish to vote must present himself or herself at the meeting in order to establish that he or she is eligible to vote and after he or she has been placed on the poll list may cast a ballot.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that military voters who are qualified voters of the district may submit an application for a military ballot emailing the District Clerk at joudeans@quogueschool.com and can be returned by mail or email to the District Clerk, Post Office Box 959, 10 Edgewood Road, Quogue, New York 11959 the application for registration must be received in the office of the clerk no later than 5:00 pm on April 23, 2021. In the request for an application for a military ballot, the military voter is permitted to designate his/her preference for receiving the application for a military ballot, and the military ballot, by mail, facsimile transmission or electronic mail. All qualified military voters' ballot application and military ballot must be returned by mail or in person. Ballots for military voters shall be distributed to qualified military voters no later than April 23, 2021. Military ballots must be received by the District Clerk (1) before the close of the polls, on Tuesday, May 18, 2021, and must show a cancellation mark of the United States postal service or a foreign country's postal service, or must show a dated endorsement of receipt by another agency of the United States Government; or (2) not later than 5:00 pm on the day of the election and be signed and dated by the military voter and one witness, with a date ascertained to be not later than the day before the election.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that applications for absentee ballots will be obtainable during school business hours from the District Clerk beginning April 5, 2021; completed applications must be received by the District Clerk no earlier than April 19, 2021 and at least seven (7) days before the election, May 11, 2021, if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election, May 17, 2021, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk not later than 5:00 p.m., prevailing time, on Tuesday, May 18, 2021.

A list of persons to whom absentee ballots are issued will be available for inspection to qualified voters of the District in the Office of the District Clerk on and after Thursday, May 13, 2021, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., prevailing time, on each day prior to the day set for the annual election, except Sunday, and on May 18, 2021, the day set for the election. Any qualified voter then present in the polling place may object to the voting of the ballot upon appropriate grounds by making his or her challenge and the reasons therefore known to the Inspector of Election before the close of the polls.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to a rule adopted by the Board of Education in accordance with Section 2035 of the Education Law, any referenda or propositions to amend the budget, or otherwise to be submitted for voting at said election, must be filed with the Clerk of the Board of Education at the District Office, 10 Edgewood Road, Quogue, New York 11959, in sufficient time to permit notice of the proposition to be included with the Notice of the Public Hearing, Budget Vote and Election required by Section 2004 of the Education Law or on or before April 19, 2021, at 3:00 p.m., prevailing time; must be typed or printed in the English language; must be directed to the Clerk of the School District; must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the District representing the percentage required by Board Policy qualified voters of the District (representing of the greater of 2% of the number of voters who voted in the previous annual election); and must legibly state the name of each signer. However, the School Board will not entertain any petition to place before the voters any proposition the purpose of which is not within the powers of the voters to determine, which is unlawful, or any proposition which fails to include a specific appropriation where the expenditure of monies is required by the proposition, or where other valid reason exists for excluding the proposition from the ballot.