

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Indiana Code § 6-1.1-20-3.1 that the Board of School Trustees (the "Board") of Nineveh-Hensley-Jackson United School Corporation (the "School Corporation") did, on April 9, 2024, make a preliminary determination to issue bonds and enter into one or more lease agreements (the "Lease") for the renovation of and improvements to Indian Creek school facilities, including roof replacements and building renovations at Indian Creek Middle School, deferred maintenance improvements at all schools, classroom renovations and/or additions, and the purchase of technology, equipment and buses (collectively, the "Projects"). The Lease will be for a maximum term of twenty (20) years with a maximum annual Lease rental of \$4,000,000. The maximum annual Lease rental has been estimated based upon an estimated principal amount of bonds of \$8,500,000, estimated interest rates ranging from 1.00% to 6.00%, and total estimated interest costs of \$7,682,948.

As required by Indiana Code § 6-1.1-20-3.1(b)(1), the following information was available to the public at the public hearings on the preliminary determination: (i) the School Corporation's current and projected annual debt service payments divided by the net assessed value of taxable property within the School Corporation, which is 0.69%; and (ii) the sum of the School Corporation's outstanding long term debt plus the outstanding long term debt of other taxing units that include any other territory of the School Corporation divided by the net assessed value of taxable property within the School Corporation, which is 5.35%.

The School Corporation's current debt service levy is \$5,190,460 and the current rate is \$0.5368. After the School Corporation enters into the proposed Lease and the bonds are issued, the gross debt service levy will increase by a maximum of \$4,000,000 and the gross debt service rate will increase by a maximum of \$0.4137. However, as existing obligations mature, the

anticipated net increase to the Debt Service Fund tax rate is expected to be \$0.00 above the current rate.

The estimated amount of the School Corporation's debt service levy and rate that will result during the following ten years, if the School Corporation enters into the lease and issues the bonds, after considering any changes that will occur to the debt service levy and rate during that period on account of any outstanding bonds or lease obligations that will mature or terminate during that period, is as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Estimated Total Debt Service Levy</u>	<u>Estimated Total Debt Service Rate</u>
2024	\$5,190,460	\$0.5368
2025	5,226,226	0.5299
2026	5,081,707	0.5051
2027	4,568,815	0.4453
2028	4,363,207	0.4252
2029	4,150,339	0.4045
2030	4,136,894	0.4032
2031	4,142,150	0.4037
2032	4,141,238	0.4036
2033	4,136,316	0.4031
2034	4,139,801	0.4034

The Projects involve the opening of new school facility space; however, the new school facility space will be more efficient than the school facility space which shall be replaced. Therefore, the School Corporation does not expect to annually incur a material increase in cost to operate such new facility space. The purpose of the Lease is to provide for the Projects.

Any owners of real property within the School Corporation or registered voters residing within the School Corporation who want to initiate a petition and remonstrance process against the proposed issuance of the bonds must file a petition that complies with Indiana

Code § 6-1.1-20-3.1 subdivisions (4) and (5) not later than 30 days after the publication of this notice.

Dated April 10, 2024.

Amy Woodrum, Secretary, Board of School Trustees
Nineveh-Hensley-Jackson United School Corporation

(Note: In addition to publishing, mail to the Johnson County Clerk and Morgan County Clerk and any organization which has requested a notice of preliminary determination.)