## NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING, BUDGET VOTE, AND ELECTION GENERAL BROWN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COUNTY OF JEFFERSON, NEW YORK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Annual Budget Hearing for inhabitants of the General Brown Central School District in Jefferson County, New York, qualified to vote at school meetings in said district, will be held in the library of the Jr./Sr. High School building in said district on Monday, May 13, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., for the transaction of such business as is authorized by Education Law. Voting on the 2024-2025 school district budget will be by voting machine and will be conducted on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

Voting upon the appropriation of necessary funds to meet estimated expenditures and on propositions involving the expenditure of money, authorization of reserves, authorizing the levy of taxes, and any other propositions which may properly be placed before the voters, shall take place in the gymnasium of the Jr./Sr. High School.

## To approve the following proposition:

<u>Proposition #2</u>: In the event Proposition 1.The Annual Budget, is NOT approved. "Shall the Board of Education be authorized to purchase up to four (4) school buses of varying capacities at a cost of not to exceed \$540,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be financed by the fund accumulated in the Bus Purchase (Capital) Reserve Fund?"

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education are available through, and must be filed with, the Clerk of the District no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 22, 2024. Petitions may be obtained from the District Clerk between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., M-F. The following vacancies are to be filled on the Board of Education:

- (1) Three-year term, name of incumbent, Jamie Lee
- (1) Three-year term, name of incumbent, Albert Romano, Jr.
- (1) Three-year term, name of incumbent, Kelly Milkowich

Each petition must be directed to the Clerk of the District, must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the district, must state the name and address of the candidate, and the length of term of office.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required to fund the School District's Budget for the 2024-2025 school year for school purposes, exclusive of public monies, may be obtained by any taxpayer in the district during the fourteen (14) days immediately preceding the budget hearing, except Saturday, Sunday or holidays, in each building of the General Brown Central School District, Dexter, New York, during the hours designated: 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that applications for absentee and early voting ballots may be requested in person or by mail between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, except holidays, from the District Clerk. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter in the District Office. Absentee and early voting ballots must be received by the District Clerk not later than 5:00 p.m., prevailing time, on May 21, 2024.

A list of persons to whom absentee and early voting ballots are issued will be available for inspection to qualified voters of the district in the Office of the District Clerk on and after April 26, 2024, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on weekdays prior to the day set for the annual election and on May 21, 2024 the day set for the election, said list will be posted at the polling place at the election. Any qualified voter present in the polling place may object to the voting of the ballot upon appropriate grounds for making his/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 the qualified voters of the School District shall be entitled to vote at said annual vote and election. A qualified voter is one who is (1) a citizen of the United States of America, (2) eighteen years of age and older, and (3) a resident within the School District for a period of thirty (30) days next preceding the annual vote and election. The School District may require all persons offering to vote at the budget vote and election to provide one form of proof of residency pursuant to Education Law 2018-c. Such form may include a driver's license, a non-driver identification card, and any other photo identification. Upon offer of proof of residency, the School District will also require all persons offering to vote to provide their signature, printed name, and address.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to a rule adopted by the Board of Education, in accordance with \$2035 and \$2008 of the Education Law, any referenda or propositions to amend the budget, otherwise to be submitted for voting at said election, must be filed with the Clerk of the School District in the District Office on or before April 17, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. prevailing time; must be typed or printed in English, must be directed to the Clerk of the School District and signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the District, and must state the name and residence 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, or any proposition, which fails to include a specific appropriation where the expenditure of monies is required by the proposition.

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By Order of the Board of Education General Brown Central School District Lisa Leubner, School District Clerk Dexter, New York 13634

Dated: March 28, 2024