#### NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 701 (HIBBING PUBLIC SCHOOLS), MINNESOTA

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a special election has been called and will be held in and for Independent School District No. 701 (Hibbing Public Schools), Minnesota (the "School District"), on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, for the purpose of voting on the following questions:

# SCHOOL DISTRICT QUESTION 1 APPROVAL OF SCHOOL DISTRICT REFERENDUM REVENUE AUTHORIZATION

The school board of Independent School District No. 701 (Hibbing Public Schools) has proposed to increase its general education revenue by \$603.00 per pupil, subject to an annual increase at the rate of inflation. The proposed referendum revenue authorization would first be levied in 2025 for taxes payable in 2026 and would be applicable for ten (10) years unless otherwise revoked or reduced by law. Shall the increase in general education revenue proposed by the school board of Independent School District No. 701 (Hibbing Public Schools) be approved?

## PASSAGE OF THIS REFERNDUM WILL RESULT IN AN INCREASE IN YOUR PROPERTY TAXES

## SCHOOL DISTRICT QUESTION 2 APPROVAL OF CAPITAL PROJECT LEVY AUTHORIZATION FOR TECHNOLOGY

The school board of Independent School District No. 701 (Hibbing Public Schools) has proposed a capital project levy authorization of 8.767% times the net tax capacity of the school district. The proposed capital project levy authorization will raise approximately \$1,300,000 for taxes first levied in 2025, payable 2026, and would be authorized for ten (10) years. The estimated total cost of the projects to be funded over that time period is approximately \$13,000,000. The proposed authorization will provide funds to finance the purchase and installation of software and technology equipment; costs related to the support and maintenance of technology; costs related to training staff in the use of technology; and the purchase and installation of classroom and curriculum technology. Shall the capital project levy proposed by the school board of Independent School District No. 701 (Hibbing Public Schools) be approved?

## BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING FOR A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE.

The projected annual dollar tax increases for typical residential homesteads, agricultural homesteads, apartments, commercial-industrial properties, and most other classes of property within the School District are as shown in the table below, subject to an annual increase at the rate of inflation.

For agricultural property (both homestead and non-homestead), the taxes for the proposed referendum revenue authorization (Question 1) will be based on the value of the house, garage and one acre of land. There will be no referendum revenue taxes (Question 1) paid on the value

of agricultural land and buildings. For seasonal recreational residential property (e.g., cabins), there will be no taxes paid for the proposed referendum revenue authorization (Question 1).

The figures in the table below are based on taxes for the proposed referendum revenue levy only, and do not include taxes for other purposes:

		New Op. Levy Authority -\$603 per Pupil Unit	Capital Projects Levy Request	Debt Levy Offset Expires after taxes payable 2025	Op. Levy + Capital Projects Levy + Debt Levy Offset	
	Net New Dollars Generated	1,302,433	1,300,000	(602,438)	Total	
	Est. Tax Rate	0.09674%	8.767%	-4.063%		
Property Type	Estimated Market Value	Annual Tax Impact Commencing with Taxes Payable 2026			Total Est. Monthly Tax Impact Commencing with Taxes Payable 2026	
Homestead Residential Property	100,000 150,000 175,000 200,000	96.74 145.11 169.30 193.48	54.80 102.58 126.42 150.36	(25.39) (47.54) (58.59) (69.68)	126.14 200.15 237.14 274.16	10.51 16.68 19.76 22.85
Commercial / Industrial	100,000 150,000 175,000 200,000	96.74 145.11 169.30 193.48	131.51 197.26 241.10 284.93	(60.94) (91.41) (111.73) (132.04)	167.31 250.96 298.67 346.37	13.94 20.91 24.89 28.86
Apartments	100,000 150,000 175,000 200,000	96.74 145.11 169.30 193.48	109.59 164.39 191.78 219.18	(50.79) (76.18) (88.87) (101.57)	155.54 233.32 272.21 311.09	12.96 19.44 22.68 25.92
Seasonal Rec	100,000 150,000 175,000 200,000	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	87.67 131.51 153.43 175.34	(40.63) (60.94) (71.10) (81.26)	47.04 70.57 82.33 94.09	3.92 5.88 6.86 7.84
Ag Dwelling Value of HSTD Only (house, garage and 1 acre)	100,000 150,000 175,000 200,000	96.74 145.11 169.30 193.48	54.80 102.58 126.42 150.36	(25.39) (47.54) (58.59) (69.68)	126.14 200.15 237.14 274.16	10.51 16.68 19.76 22.85
Remainder of Ag HSTD assessed value per acre	2,000 3,000 4,000	0.00 0.00 0.00	0.88 1.32 1.75	(0.12) (0.18) (0.24)	0.75 1.13 1.51	0.06 0.09 0.13
Remainder of Ag Non-HSTD assessed value per acre	2,000 3,000 4,000	0.00 0.00 0.00	1.75 2.63 3.51	(0.24) (0.37) (0.49)	1.51 2.26 3.02	0.13 0.19 0.25
Note - Seasonal rec property and	d agricultural land beyo		c, garage and one acre) a		voter approved operating	referendum)

The polling places and precincts served by the polling places for the special election will be as follows:

Combined Polling Place: Hibbing Armory 2310 Brooklyn Dr.

(INCLUDED IN DEBT LEVY OFFSET)

Hibbing, Minnesota 55746

This combined polling place serves all territory in the School District.

Any eligible voter residing in the School District may cast their ballots at the polling place designated above. The polls for said election will open at 7:00 a.m. and will close at 8:00 p.m. on said election day.

A voter must be registered to vote to be eligible to vote in this election. An unregistered individual may register to vote at the polling place on election day.

Dated: July 16, 2025 BY ORDER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

/s/Jeff Polcher, Clerk