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December 1, 2025

Robert Finster, Superintendent
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RE: *Capital Improvements Project*

Dear Rob:

Enclosed for the board's and your consideration is a board resolution calling for a vote on your proposed Capital Improvements Project. As I understand it, the board of education may consider the enclosed resolution (or a revision thereof, if desired) at a regular board meeting on December 8, 2025.

The open meeting law requirements for calling a board meeting are summarized for your convenience as follows:

1. Public notice of the time and place of a meeting scheduled at least one week prior thereto shall be given to the news media and shall be conspicuously posted in one or more designated public locations at least seventy-two hours before such meeting.
2. Public notice of the time and place of every other meeting shall be given, to the extent practicable, to the news media and shall be conspicuously posted in one or more designated public locations at a reasonable time prior thereto.
3. When the School District has the ability to do so, notice of the time and place of a meeting given in accordance with numbered paragraph one or two above shall also be conspicuously posted on the School District's internet website.

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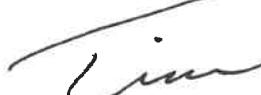
Please note that under the Open Meetings Law any proposed resolution that is scheduled to be the subject of discussion by a public body during an open meeting shall be made available, upon request therefor, to the extent that you determine practicable, at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting during which the resolution will be discussed, and you may charge a reasonable fee, determined in the same manner as provided under the Freedom of Information Law. Advance online posting of a resolution is required if you maintain a regularly and routinely updated website and utilize a high speed internet connection, at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting, but again, to the extent that you determine practicable. The enclosed resolution includes a certification as to compliance with the above.

Once the board passes the resolution, the notice of special meeting (pages 2 and 3 of the enclosed resolution) must be published as required by the Education Law in each of two newspapers having general circulation within the School District four times in the seven weeks preceding the vote, with the first publication to occur at least 45 days prior to the vote. Please send to me a copy of the newspaper affidavit(s) of publication when available.

Please note that the legal notice in the enclosed resolution refer to the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") and the regulations thereunder. A final SEQRA determination should occur prior to calling for the public vote. I understand the Board intends to make such a determination at its December 8, 2025 meeting to find the project to be "type II" under SEQRA. A final SEQRA determination should occur prior to calling for the public vote.

Please feel free to contact me at your convenience if there are any questions regarding any of the above. I look forward to working with you on this important project financing. Thank you.

Very truly yours,



Timothy R. McGill

TRM:kmb

Encl.

pc: Benjamin Maslona
Andrew Silver, Esq.

EXTRACT OF MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
CALLING FOR PUBLICATION OF NOTICE REGARDING VOTE ON PROPOSITION

At a regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Harrisville Central School District, New York, held at the District Offices in Harrisville, New York, on the 8th day of December, 2025:

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

_____ presented the following resolution and duly moved that it be adopted and was seconded by _____:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AS FOLLOWS:

1. A special meeting of the qualified voters of the Harrisville Central School District shall be held in the School Library in said District, on Tuesday, February 3, 2026, between the hours of 1:00 PM and 8:00 PM, for the purpose of voting on the proposition described in the notice of special meeting hereinafter set forth.

2. Said special meeting shall be called by giving the following notice thereof:

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF
HARRISVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special meeting of the qualified voters of the Harrisville Central School District shall be held in the School Library in said District, on Tuesday, February 3, 2026, between the hours of 1:00 PM and 8:00 PM. The following proposition will be submitted for voter approval at said meeting:

PROPOSITION

Shall the following resolution be adopted to wit:

Resolved that the Board of Education of the Harrisville Central School District is hereby authorized to undertake certain capital improvements consisting of construction and reconstruction of the school building and facilities, various site improvements and the acquisition of certain original furnishings, equipment, and apparatus and other incidental improvements required in connection therewith for such construction and school use, all at an estimated maximum aggregate cost of \$9,136,280; and that the costs, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax to be collected in annual installments, with such tax to be offset by state aid available therefor; and, in anticipation of such tax, debt obligations of the school district as may be necessary not to exceed such estimated maximum aggregate cost shall be issued.

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The School District, acting as lead agency to the extent necessary, if any, for this purpose under the State Environmental Quality Review Act and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder ("SEQRA"), has completed its environmental review and, on December 8, 2025, has duly determined and found the purpose to be a type II action under SEQRA which will not have a significant impact on the environment and is not subject to any further environmental review under SEQRA.

AND NOTICE IS GIVEN that qualified military voters may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk at (315) 543-2707 Ext. 7 or JSnider@hcsk12.org. For a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the District Clerk must have received a valid ballot application no later than 5:00 PM on January 8, 2026. In a request for a military ballot application or ballot, the military voter may indicate their preference for receiving the application or ballot by mail, facsimile transmission or email.

AND NOTICE IS GIVEN, that applications for early mail and absentee ballots shall be obtainable during school business hours from the District Clerk; completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the vote and election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the vote and election if

the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Early mail and absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk not later than 5:00 PM on February 3, 2026.

A list of persons to whom early mail, absentee and military ballots are issued will be available for inspection to qualified voters of the District in the office of the District Clerk on and after January 20, 2026, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM on weekdays prior to the Election; and on February 3, 2026, the day set for the Election, said list will be posted at the polling place.

The District Clerk is authorized to amend or modify this notice to comply with applicable legal requirements.

DATED: December 8, 2025
Harrisville, New York

District Clerk
Harrisville Central School District
New York

3. At such meeting taxes to be levied by installments will be proposed providing for payment of such capital costs and providing for the financing costs therefor. Such taxes shall be levied upon all the taxable property of the District, shall be levied in annual installments and shall be of such amounts and levied in such years as may be determined by the Board of Education.

4. The District Clerk or the Clerk's designee is hereby directed to publish a copy of said notice of special meeting in two newspapers having general circulation within the School District in the manner prescribed by law for publication of notice of the annual meeting of the School District.

5. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Duly put to a vote as follows:

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STATE OF NEW YORK }
 } ss:
COUNTY OF LEWIS }.

I, the undersigned clerk of the Harrisville Central School District, DO HEREBY CERTIFY as follows:

1. A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Harrisville Central School District, State of New York, was held on December 8, 2025, and Minutes of said meeting have been duly recorded in the Minute Book kept by me in accordance with law for the purpose of recording the minutes of meetings of said Board.

2. I have compared the attached Extract with said Minutes so recorded and said Extract is a true copy of said Minutes and of the whole thereof insofar as said Minutes relate to matters referred to in said Extract.

3. Said Minutes correctly state the time and place when said Meeting was convened and the place where such meeting was held and the members of said Board who attended said Meeting.

4. Public Notice of the time and place of said Meeting was duly posted and duly given to the public and the news media in accordance with the Open Meetings Law, constituting Chapter 511 of the Laws of 1976 of the State of New York, and that all members of said Board had due notice of said Meetings and that the Meeting was in all respects duly held and a quorum was present and acted throughout.

5. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have hereunto affixed the corporate seal of the Harrisville Central School District this ____ day of _____, 2025.

{SEAL}

District Clerk

