AN ORDER BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PAMPA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT CALLING A BOND ELECTION TO BE HELD WITHIN THE DISTRICT; MAKING PROVISIONS FOR THE CONDUCT AND THE GIVING OF NOTICE OF THE ELECTION; AND CONTAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING THERETO

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the Pampa Independent School District (the "District") finds that an election should be held to determine whether the Board shall be authorized to issue bonds of the District in the amounts and for the purposes hereinafter set forth; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds and determines that all facilities to be acquired, constructed, renovated, improved or equipped pursuant to Propositions A and B herein will be used predominantly for required classroom instruction and essential administrative operations for faculty and staff; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds and determines that the meeting at which this Order is considered is open to the public, and that the public notice of the time, place and purpose of the meeting was given, as required by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as amended;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF PAMPA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Section 1. <u>Findings</u>. The statements contained in the preamble of this Order are true and correct and are hereby adopted as findings of fact and as a part of the operative provisions hereof.

Section 2. <u>Election Ordered; Date; Propositions</u>. A bond election (the "Election") shall be held in the District on Saturday, May 6, 2023 ("Election Day"), a uniform election date as established by Section 41.001(a) of the Texas Election Code, as amended (the "Code"). At the Election, the following propositions (individually, the "Proposition" and collectively the "Propositions") shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the District in accordance with law:

PAMPA ISD – PROPOSITION A

Shall the board of trustees of Pampa Independent School District be authorized to issue and sell bonds of the District in the principal amount of \$62,000,000 for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, renovating, improving and equipping school buildings of the District and for the purchase of necessary sites therefore, including a new career and technology education facility and improvements and additions to Travis Elementary School; and shall there be levied, assessed and collected annually ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the District sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due and to pay the costs of any credit agreements executed or authorized in anticipation of, in relation to or in

connection with the bonds; said bonds to be issued in one or more series or issues, to mature serially or otherwise not more than 40 years from their date, and to bear interest at such rate or rates not to exceed the limit prescribed by law at the time of issuance, as the board of trustees in its discretion shall determine?

PAMPA ISD – PROPOSITION B

Shall the board of trustees of Pampa Independent School District be authorized to issue and sell bonds of the District in the principal amount of \$68,000,000 for the purpose of, acquiring, constructing, renovating, improving and equipping band, choir and theater facilities, athletic facilities, Austin Elementary School, Wilson Elementary School and Lamar Elementary School, a new agriculture education farm, and Pampa Junior High School, and for the purchase of necessary sites therefore, and including the purchase of new buses; and shall there be levied, assessed and collected annually ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the District sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due and to pay the costs of any credit agreements executed or authorized in anticipation of, in relation to or in connection with the bonds; said bonds to be issued in one or more series or issues, to mature serially or otherwise not more than 40 years from their date, and to bear interest at such rate or rates not to exceed the limit prescribed by law at the time of issuance, as the board of trustees in its discretion shall determine?

Section 3. <u>Official Ballot</u>. The official ballots for the Election shall be prepared in accordance with the Code so as to permit the electors to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" each Proposition which shall be set forth on the ballots substantially in the following form:

PAMPA ISD – PROPOSITION A

FOR "THE ISSUANCE OF \$62,000,000 OF SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS FOR ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING, RENOVATING, AGAINST IMPROVING AND EQUIPPING SCHOOL BUILDINGS, FOR THE PURCHASE OF NECESSARY SITES FOR SCHOOL BUILDINGS. INCLUDING Α NEW CAREER **AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION FACILITY** AND **IMPROVEMENTS** ADDITIONS TO TRAVIS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, AND THE LEVYING OF A TAX SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS AND TO PAY THE COSTS OF ANY CREDIT AGREEMENTS EXECUTED OR AUTHORIZED IN ANTICIPATION OF, IN RELATION TO OR IN CONNECTION WITH THE BONDS. THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE."

PAMPA ISD - PROPOSITION B

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<u>Bilingual Election Materials</u>. All notices, instructions, and ballots pertaining to the Election shall be furnished to voters in both English and Spanish.

- Section 4. <u>Persons Qualified to Vote</u>. All resident, qualified electors of the District shall be eligible to vote at the Election.
- Section 5. <u>Election Precincts, Voting Locations and Voting Hours on Election Day.</u> The election precincts for the <u>Election</u> shall consist of the territory within the boundaries of the District situated within one or more Gray County and Roberts County election precincts located wholly or partially within the District. The precinct numbers of the District's election precincts shall be the same as those assigned by Gray County and Roberts County to the election precincts for each respective county. The polling locations for voting on Election Day shall be the polling locations as set forth in <u>Exhibit A</u>, or at such other locations as hereafter may be designated by the Gray County Elections Administrator (the "Elections Administrator") in accordance with the Contract for Election Services or the Roberts County Elections official, as applicable. The Gray County Elections Administrator shall administer the election on behalf of the District and Roberts Count. The Elections Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to make such changes in polling locations as may be necessary for the proper conduct of the Election. Each polling place shall be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on the date of the Election.
- Section 6. <u>Early Voting Locations Dates and Times:</u> (a) Randa Hiett is appointed as the Early Voting Clerk for the Election (the "Early Voting Clerk").
 - (b) The main early voting polling place County is hereby designated to be Pampa Independent School District 1233 N. Hobart, Pampa, TX 79065.
 - (c) The early voting places and the addresses for early voting by mail for the Election are hereby designated as set forth in Exhibit B; provided, however, such locations may be changed if so directed by the Elections Administrator without further

action of the District. The Elections Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to make such changes in locations as may be necessary for the proper conduct of the Election. The President of the Board or his designee is hereby authorized to update Exhibit B to reflect the locations designated by the Elections Administrator, and such locations are hereby approved. The Elections Administrator and/or Early Voting Clerk is hereby authorized to appoint the members of the Early Voting Ballot board and the presiding judges and alternate judges for each polling location in accordance with the requirements of the Code. Each of the presiding judges shall be authorized to approve the necessary election clerks to assist in conducting the Election.

- (d) Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted on the days and during the hours set forth in Exhibit B, as may be adjusted by the Elections Administrator without further Board action.
- (e) The address for the Early Voting Clerk and the address for applications for ballot by mail is Randa Hiett, Early Voting Clerk, 205 N. Russell, Rm 415, P.O. Box 2493, Pampa, TX 79066 may be reached at: (806) 669-8068 (phone), (806) 669-4004 (FAX) and Randa.hiett@graycch.com
- (f) Voting times may be changed if so directed by the Elections Administrator without further action of the District. The Elections Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to make such changes in voting hours as may be necessary for the proper conduct of the Election.
- Section 7. <u>Appointment of Election Officers</u>. The Election shall be conducted under the jurisdiction of the Gray County Elections Administrator pursuant to the direction of the Board of Trustees and may be pursuant to separate Joint Election Contracts (the "Contracts") by and between the District and Gray County and other participating entities if any, described in the Contract. The Contract providing for the joint election and the conduct of the Election by the Elections Administrator shall be presented to the Board for consideration and approval. The Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee is authorized to amend or supplement the Contract to the extent required for the Election to be conducted in an efficient and legal manner as determined by the Elections Administrator.
- Section 8. Notice of Election. Notice of the Election shall be given by: (i) publishing a substantial copy of this Order, in English and Spanish, one time not earlier than the thirtieth (30th) day nor later than the tenth (10th) day prior to the date set for the Election, in a newspaper published in the District (or that otherwise complies with applicable law), (ii) posting a copy of this Order on the bulletin board used for posting notices of meetings of the Board and the Order and the Voter Information Document (as hereinafter defined)in English and Spanish in at least three (3) other public places within the boundaries of the District, not later than the twenty-first (21st) day prior to the date set for the Election and (iii) posting a copy of this Order and the Voter Information Document, in English and Spanish, on the District's website, prominently and together with the notice of the Election and the contents of the Proposition and any sample ballot prepared for the Proposition, not later than the twenty-first (21st) day prior to the date set for the Election through Election Day. Additionally, on Election Day and during early voting by personal appearance, this Order and the Voter Information Document shall be posted in a

prominent location at each polling place. Notice of the Election shall also be provided to the county clerk and voter registrar of Gray County and Roberts County not later than the 60th day before the Election Day; which notice Gray County and Roberts County are hereby authorized and directed to post to its website not later than the twenty-first (21st) day prior to the date set for the Election.

Section 9. <u>Conduct of Election</u>. The Election shall be held in accordance with the Code, except as modified by the Texas Education Code, the Texas Government Code, and the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, including particularly Chapter 272 of the Code pertaining to bilingual requirements. The website for the District can be found at <u>pampaisd.net</u>).

Section 10. Additional Information Required by Section 3.009 of the Election Code.

- (a) <u>District's Outstanding Debt</u>. As of the effective date of this Order, the District's aggregate principal amount of outstanding of tax-supported debt was \$31,439,959 and the aggregate amount of outstanding interest on such tax-supported debt was \$11,074,865. The District's total ad valorem tax rate for the 2022-2023 fiscal year is \$1.2133, which was comprised of a maintenance and operations tax rate component of \$0.9741 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation and a debt service tax rate of \$0.2392 per \$100 of assessed valuation. The District's taxable assessed valuation for 2022, as of the date that the current tax rate was established, was \$1,171,500,596.
- <u>Issuance of New Debt</u>. The District intends to issue the bonds authorized by the Proposition over a period of years in a manner and in accordance with a schedule to be determined by the Board based upon a number of factors, including, but not limited to, the then current needs of the District, demographic changes, prevailing market conditions, assessed valuations of property in the District and management of the District's short-term and long-term interest rate exposure. Market conditions, demographics and assessed valuations of property vary based upon a number of factors beyond the District's control and the use of variable rate debt involves periodic adjustments in interest rates that vary based on market conditions and contractual obligations. Therefore, the District cannot and does not guarantee a particular interest rate or tax rate associated with the bonds authorized by the Proposition. As such, the information contained in this paragraph is provided solely for illustrative purposes and does not establish any limitations or restrictions or create a contract with the voters. The District estimates that, based on the District's current taxable assessed valuation, current market conditions and estimated future growth in the District's taxable assessed valuation, if all of the bonds authorized by the Proposition were issued in accordance with the District's current project finance plan, the maximum interest rate on the bonds is not expected to exceed 5.00%.
- (c) <u>Additional Information</u>. The additional information required by Section 3.009 of the Code is located in Sections 2 and 3 of this Order.
- Section 11. <u>Voter Information Document</u>. The Board hereby approves a voter information document for the Proposition (collectively, the "Voter Information Document"), in substantially the form presented to the Board, with such changes as may be approved by the

President of the Board, the Superintendent of the District, or their designee, acting on behalf of the Board, in consultation with the District's general counsel, bond counsel, and financial advisor, as prescribed by Section 1251.052(b), Texas Government Code.

The President of the Board, the Superintendent of the District, or their designee, acting on behalf of the Board, is further authorized and directed to post or provide for the posting of the Voter Information Documents in the manner provided under Section 9 of this Order, and additionally on the District's website in an easily accessible manner beginning not later than the twenty-first (21st) day before the date set for the Election and ending on the day after Election Day.

- Section 12. <u>Internet Posting</u>. Notice of the Election shall be posted to the District's internet website not later than the 21st day before the election, incompliance with Section 4.009, Texas Election Code, as amended.
- Section 13. Necessary Actions. The President of the Board, the Superintendent of the District, or their designee, acting on behalf of the Board, in consultation with the District's General Counsel and bond counsel, is hereby authorized and directed to take any and all actions necessary to comply with the provisions of the Code and the Federal Voting Rights Act in carrying out and conducting the Election, whether or not expressly authorized herein, including making changes or additions to polling places or procedures to the extent required or desirable as determined by the Elections Administrator or as may become necessary due to circumstances arising after the date of this Order.
- Section 14. <u>Findings and Determinations.</u> The Board finds and determines that the facilities and equipment to be acquired, constructed, renovated or equipped pursuant to Proposition A are predominately for required classroom instruction and essential administrative operations for faculty and staff, stadiums with seating capacity for less than 1,000 spectators, gymnasiums, playgrounds or play areas, equipment used for school security purposes, and/or technology infrastructure integral to the construction of a facility.
- Section 15. <u>Severability</u>. If any provision, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Order, or the application of same to any person or set of circumstances is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, void, invalid, or unenforceable, neither the remaining portions of this Order nor their application to other persons or sets of circumstances shall be affected thereby, it being the intent of the Board in adopting this Order that no portion hereof or provision or regulation contained herein shall become inoperative or fail by reason of any unconstitutionality, voidness, invalidity or unenforceability of any other portion hereof, and all provisions of this Order are declared to be severable for that purpose.
- Section 16. Appointment of Election Officers. The Elections Administrator is hereby appointed Election Officer for the District and agent for the custodian of voted ballots in the respective jurisdictions.
- Section 17. <u>Effective Date</u>. This Order shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 13th day of February, 2023.

Name: Luis Nava

Title: President, Board of Trustees, Pampa Independent School District

ATTEST:

Name: Denise Internann

Title: Secretary, Board of Trustees Pampa Independent School District

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EXHIBIT A

ELECTION DAY MAY 6, 2023, 7 AM TO 7 PM Gray County and Roberts County

MK Brown Auditorium 1000 N, Sumner Pampa, TX 79065

EXHIBIT B

Early Voting

Gray County and Roberts County Main Early Voting Location

Pampa Independent School District 1233 N. Hobart Pampa, TX 79065

April 24, 2023	Monday	7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
April 25, 2023	Tuesday	7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
April 26, 2023	Wednesday	7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
April 27, 2023	Thursday	7:00 a.m 7:00 p.m.
April 28, 2023	Friday	7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
April 29, 2023	Saturday	10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
May 1, 2023	Monday	7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
May 2, 2023	Tuesday	7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

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Randa Hiett, Gray County Elections Administrator P.O. Box 2493 Pampa, TX 79065

(806) 669-8068

e-mail: Randa.hiett@graycch.com

Website: www.co.gray.tx.us/page/gray.Elections