## COUNTY AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATION OF PERCENTAGES INCLUDED IN REFERENDUM QUESTION

To: Department of Local Government Finance ("DLGF"):

I, Patricia A. Pickens, Auditor of the County of Elkhart as of the date hereof, have received a request on behalf of the governing body of the Concord Community Schools (the "School Corporation") to determine the percentages to be included in the form of the ballot question for a renewal referendum pursuant to Indiana Code 20-46-1-10.1.

I have referred to Indiana Code 20-46-1 et seq., the Memoranda by the DLGF dated as of May 27, 2021 regarding the Legislative Changes to Property Tax Referenda and Property Tax Referenda DLGF Property Tax Referenda Presentation dated July 15, 2021.

I have used the property assessment data, tax rates, tax deductions, tax credits, and school referenda levy for 2014 pay 2015 in calculating the percentages herein.

In good faith and to the best of my ability given the limitations of the statutory provisions, I have determined that the following percentages should be included in the form of the question provided by the School Corporation:

"... originally increased the average property tax paid to the school corporation per year on a residence within the school corporation by 34.48%, and

originally increased the average property tax paid to the school corporation per year on a business property within the school corporation by 27.48%."

As requested by the DLGF, I have attached to this certification my data and worksheets used for purposes of the calculations.

Dated: July 23, 2021.

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ELKHART COUNTY AUDITOR

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Indiana Department of Local Government Finance Alternative School Operations Fund Assessed Value Growth Quotient

School Corporation: Concord Community Schools

## STEP 1: Determine the average assessed value of a homestead located within the political subdivision

	2014 Average (Mean) Homestead Value:	\$126,194
STEP 2:	For purposes of determining the net assessed value of the average homestead located within the political subdivision, subtract:	
	(A) an amount for the homestead standard deduction under IC 6-1.1-12-37 as if the homestead described in STEP ONE was eligible for the deduction:	(\$45,000)
	(B) an amount for the supplemental homestead deduction under IC 6-1.1-12- 37.5 as if the homestead described in STEP ONE was eligible for the deduction; from the result of STEP ONE:	(\$28,418)
	In this step, apply the homestead deduction and supplemental deduction to the average assessed value of the homestead found in STEP ONE using the calculation found in IC 6-1.1-12-37(c) and 37.5(b), respectively:	\$52,776
STEP 3:	Divide the result of STEP TWO by one hundred (100)	\$527.76
STEP 4:	Determine the overall average tax rate per one hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed valuation for the current year imposed on property located within the political subdivision.	
	<ol> <li>find all the taxing districts that comprise the boundaries of the local unit Concord Township (009)</li> </ol>	
	Elkhart City - Concord Township (011)	
	(2) find the tax rate for each taxing district	
	Concord Township	\$2.4438
	Elkhart City - Concord Township	\$4.1554
	(3) find the sum of the tax rates	\$10,3363
	(4) divide the sum by the number of taxing districts	3
		\$3.4454
	Note: The above STEP 4 represents 2015 tax rates, less the School Referendum rate of \$0.3803.	
STEP 5:	For purposes of determining the net property tax liability of the average homestead located within the political subdivision	
	<ul> <li>(A) multiply the result of STEP 3 by the result of STEP 4</li> <li>(B) as appropriate, apply any currently applicable county property tax credit rates and the credit for excessive property taxes under Ind. Code § 6-1.1- 20.6- 7.5(a)(1)</li> </ul>	\$1,818.37 (\$74.49) (\$481.94) \$1,261.94
	Note: The above circuit breaker tax credit calculation <u>does</u> <u>not</u> include any upward adjustment for the 2015 School Referendum rate of \$0.3803.	
STEP 6:	Determine the amount of the political subdivision's part of the result determined in STEP FIVE.	
	<ul> <li>(A) Take the total 2015 certified tax rate for the School Corporation, less any existing referendum rates, and divide by the result of STEP 4</li> <li>(B) Multiply by the result of STEP 5</li> </ul>	46.13% \$582.14
	Note: The above STEP 6 has been updated to reflect DLGF guidance received on July 12th, 2021. Per the DLGF, the percentage calculated in STEP 6A does not include the School Corporation's 2015 Certified Operating Referendum Fund Tax Rate of \$0.3803.	
STEP 7:	Multiply	
	<ul> <li>(A) tax rate that will be imposed if the public question is approved by voters</li> <li>(B) the result of STEP 3</li> </ul>	\$0.3803 \$200.71
STEP 8:	Divide the result of STEP 7 by the result of STEP 6, expressed as a percentage	34.48%
	Divide the result of STEP 7 by the result of STEP 5, expressed as a percentage	15.90%

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School Corporation: Concord Community Schools

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STEP 1: Deterr	nine the average assessed value of a business property located within the polit	ical subdivision
	2014 Average (Mean) Business Property Value:	\$92,162
STEP 2:	Divide the result of STEP TWO by one hundred (100)	\$921.62
STEP 4:	Determine the overall average tax rate per one hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed valuation for the current year imposed on property located within the political subdivision.	
	<ol> <li>find all the taxing districts that comprise the boundaries of the local unit Concord Township (009)</li> </ol>	
	Elkhart City - Concord Township (011)	
	(2) find the tax rate for each taxing district	
	Concord Township	\$2,4438
	Elkhart City - Concord Township	\$4.1554
	Goshen City - Concord Township	\$3.7371
	(3) find the sum of the tax rates	\$10.3363
	(4) divide the sum by the number of taxing districts	<u>3</u> \$3 4454
	Note: The above STEP 4 represents 2015 tax rates, less the School Referendum rate of \$0.3803.	
STEP 5:	For purposes of determining the net property tax liability of the average homestead located within the political subdivision	
	(A) multiply the result of STEP 3 by the result of STEP 4	\$3,175.38
	(B) as appropriate, apply any currently applicable county property tax credit rates	(\$130.07)
	and the credit for excessive property taxes under Ind. Code § 6-1.1- 20.6- 7.5(a)(1)	(\$280.45) \$2,764.86
	Note: The above circuit breaker tax credit calculation <u>does</u> <u>not</u> include any upward adjustment for the 2015 School Referendum rate of \$0.3803.	
STEP 6:	Determine the amount of the political subdivision's part of the result determined in STEP FIVE.	
	<ul> <li>(A) Take the total 2015 certified tax rate for the School Corporation, less any existing referendum rates, and divide by the result of STEP 4</li> <li>(B) Multiply by the result of STEP 5</li> </ul>	46.13% \$1,275.45
	Note: The above STEP 6 has been updated to reflect DLGF guidance received on July 12th, 2021. Per the DLGF, the percentage calculated in STEP 6A does not include the School Corporation's 2021 Certified Operating Referendum Fund Tax Rate of \$0.3752.	
STEP 7:	Multiply	
	<ul> <li>(A) tax rate that will be imposed if the public question is approved by voters</li> <li>(B) the result of STEP 3</li> </ul>	\$0.3803 \$350.49
STEP 8:	Divide the result of STEP 7 by the result of STEP 6, expressed as a percentage	27.48%
	Divide the result of STEP 7 by the result of STEP 5, expressed as a percentage	12.68%
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