

Resolution No. 2026-1

Resolution Regarding the Allocation and Transparency of Community Facility Sales Tax Revenue

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Harlem Consolidated School District Number 122, Winnebago County, Illinois (the "Board"), receives revenue generated by the County School Facility Sales Tax pursuant to **105 ILCS 5/36-7**; and

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes its fiduciary responsibility to the taxpayers of the District to utilize these funds effectively for the maintenance and improvement of school facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to provide direct financial relief to the community and ensure absolute transparency regarding the expenditure of these public funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of Harlem Consolidated School District Number 122, Winnebago County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1: Commitment to Property Tax Relief

In the event that the Community Facility Sales Tax is approved, the Board hereby commits to providing **property tax relief by abating 100% of the debt service taxes** for its presently outstanding building bond debt, using the sales tax revenues to meet the payments due for principal and interest on those outstanding bonds.

Section 2: Annual Public Hearing

The Board shall hold a dedicated **Annual Public Hearing** prior to the finalization of the fiscal year budget. During this hearing, the Administration shall present a formal proposal detailing how the projected sales tax revenue will be utilized for the upcoming fiscal year, including specific facility projects and tax abatement figures.

Section 3: Annual Financial Reporting

To ensure public accountability in the event that the Community Facility Sales Tax is approved, the Board directs the Administration to prepare and publish an **Annual Sales Tax Financial Report**. This report will be made available on the District's website and shall include:

- Total revenue received from the sales tax during the prior fiscal year.
- An itemized list of all expenses and capital projects funded by said revenue.
- The total dollar amount redirected toward property tax relief.

Section 4: Annual Re-Authorization

This resolution is intended, not as a one-time policy, but as an ongoing commitment. To that end, the Board of Education directs the Administration to prepare, place on the Board's agenda, and submit for its consideration all actions necessary to accomplish the goals of this Resolution each year in a timely manner.

ADOPTED THIS ____ DAY OF _____ 2026, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: _____
NAYS: _____
ABSTAIN: _____
ABSENT: _____

**BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
HARLEM CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER 122,
WINNEBAGO COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

BY:

President, Board of Education

ATTEST:

Secretary, Board of Education