

CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES RELATING TO  
\$3,400,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION TAX ABATEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2013A

Issuer: Independent School District No. 831 (Forest Lake Area Schools), Minnesota

Governing Body: School Board

Kind, date, time and place of meeting: A regular meeting held on June 27, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. at the School District offices.

Members present:

Members absent:

Documents Attached:

Minutes of said meeting (pages):

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$3,400,000 GENERAL  
OBLIGATION TAX ABATEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2013A

TERMS OF PROPOSAL

I, the undersigned, being the duly qualified and acting recording officer of the public corporation issuing the bonds referred to in the title of this certificate, certify that the documents attached hereto, as described above, have been carefully compared with the original records of said corporation in my legal custody, from which they have been transcribed; that said documents are a correct and complete transcript of the minutes of a meeting of the governing body of said corporation, and correct and complete copies of all resolutions and other actions taken and of all documents approved by the governing body at said meeting, so far as they relate to said bonds; and that said meeting was duly held by the governing body at the time and place and was attended throughout by the members indicated above, pursuant to call and notice of such meeting given as required by law.

WITNESS my hand officially as such recording officer on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2013.

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School District Clerk

Member \_\_\_\_\_ introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, which motion was seconded by Member \_\_\_\_\_:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$3,400,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION TAX ABATEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2013A

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board (the Board) of Independent School District No. 831 (Forest Lake Area Schools), Minnesota (the District), as follows:

SECTION 1. PURPOSE. To acquire the ice arena and field house known as the Lichtscheidl Arena and Field House from the Forest Lake Area Athletic Association in order to provide recreational services to District residents (the Project) or to pay a portion of the principal of and interest on general obligation bonds to be issued by the District to pay for the Project, this Board by resolution adopted June 27, 2013, has granted an abatement of property taxes to be imposed by the District on certain parcels in the District (the Abated Parcels) pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sections 469.1812 to 469.1815, as amended (the Act), for a period of fifteen (15) years commencing with property taxes payable in 2014 and concluding with property taxes payable in 2028 (the Tax Abatement). It is hereby determined to be in the best interests of the District to issue its General Obligation Tax Abatement Bonds, Series 2013A (the Bonds), in the aggregate principal amount of \$3,400,000, subject to adjustment in accordance with the Terms of Proposal, pursuant to the Act and Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475, to finance the Project including every item of cost of the kinds authorized in Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.1814, subdivision 5, benefiting the Abated Parcels.

SECTION 2. TERMS OF PROPOSAL. Springsted Incorporated, in St. Paul, Minnesota (Springsted), financial advisor to the District, has presented to this Board a form of Terms of Proposal for the Bonds which is attached hereto and hereby approved and shall be placed on file by the Clerk. Each and all of the provisions of the Terms of Proposal are hereby adopted as the terms and conditions of the Bonds and of the sale thereof. Springsted, as independent financial advisor, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 475.60, Subdivision 2, paragraph (9), is hereby authorized to solicit proposals for the Bonds on behalf of the District on a competitive basis without requirement of published notice.

SECTION 3. SALE MEETING. This Board shall meet at the time and place shown in the Terms of Proposal for the purpose of considering proposals for the purchase of the Bonds and of taking such action thereon as may be in the best interests of the District.

SECTION 4. STATE CREDIT ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM. (a) The District hereby covenants and obligates itself to notify the Commissioner of Education (the Commissioner) of a potential default in the payment of principal and interest on the Bonds and to use the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.55 to guarantee payment of the principal and interest on the Bonds when due. The District further covenants to deposit with the Registrar or any successor paying agent three (3) days prior to the date on which a payment is due an amount sufficient to make that payment or to notify the Commissioner that it will be unable to make all or a portion of that payment. The Registrar for the Bonds is authorized and directed to notify the Commissioner if it becomes aware of a potential default in the payment of principal or interest on the Bonds or if, on the day two (2) business days prior to the date a payment is due on the

Bonds, there are insufficient funds to make that payment on deposit with the Registrar. The District understands that as a result of its covenant to be bound by the provision of Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.55, the provisions of that section shall be binding as long as any Bonds of this issue remain outstanding.

(b) The District further covenants to comply with all procedures now and hereafter established by the Departments of Management and Budget and Education of the State of Minnesota pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.55, subdivision 2(c) and otherwise to take such actions as necessary to comply with that section. The chair, clerk, superintendent or business manager is authorized to execute any applicable Minnesota Department of Education forms.

Upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

and the following voted against the same:

whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

THE DISTRICT HAS AUTHORIZED SPRINGSTED INCORPORATED TO NEGOTIATE THIS ISSUE ON ITS BEHALF. PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED ON THE FOLLOWING BASIS:

**TERMS OF PROPOSAL**

**\$3,400,000\***

**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 831, FOREST LAKE, MINNESOTA**

**GENERAL OBLIGATION TAX ABATEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2013A**

**(MINNESOTA SCHOOL DISTRICT CREDIT ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM)**

**(BOOK ENTRY ONLY)**

Proposals for the Bonds and the Good Faith Deposit ("Deposit") will be received on Thursday, August 1, 2013, until 10:00 A.M., Central Time, at the offices of Springsted Incorporated, 380 Jackson Street, Suite 300, Saint Paul, Minnesota, after which time proposals will be opened and tabulated. Consideration for award of the Bonds will be by the School Board at 7:00 P.M., Central Time, of the same day.

**SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS**

Springsted will assume no liability for the inability of the bidder to reach Springsted prior to the time of sale specified above. All bidders are advised that each Proposal shall be deemed to constitute a contract between the bidder and the District to purchase the Bonds regardless of the manner in which the Proposal is submitted.

(a) **Sealed Bidding.** Proposals may be submitted in a sealed envelope or by fax (651) 223-3046 to Springsted. Signed Proposals, without final price or coupons, may be submitted to Springsted prior to the time of sale. The bidder shall be responsible for submitting to Springsted the final Proposal price and coupons, by telephone (651) 223-3000 or fax (651) 223-3046 for inclusion in the submitted Proposal.

**OR**

(b) **Electronic Bidding.** Notice is hereby given that electronic proposals will be received via PARITY®. For purposes of the electronic bidding process, the time as maintained by PARITY® shall constitute the official time with respect to all Bids submitted to PARITY®. *Each bidder shall be solely responsible for making necessary arrangements to access PARITY® for purposes of submitting its electronic Bid in a timely manner and in compliance with the requirements of the Terms of Proposal.* Neither the District, its agents nor PARITY® shall have any duty or obligation to undertake registration to bid for any prospective bidder or to provide or ensure electronic access to any qualified prospective bidder, and neither the District, its agents nor PARITY® shall be responsible for a bidder's failure to register to bid or for any failure in the proper operation of, or have any liability for any delays or interruptions of or any damages caused by the services of PARITY®. The District is using the services of PARITY® solely as a communication mechanism to conduct the electronic bidding for the Bonds, and PARITY® is not an agent of the District.

If any provisions of this Terms of Proposal conflict with information provided by PARITY®, this Terms of Proposal shall control. Further information about PARITY®, including any fee charged, may be obtained from:

PARITY®, 1359 Broadway, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10018  
Customer Support: (212) 849-5000

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\* Preliminary; subject to change.

## DETAILS OF THE BONDS

The Bonds will be dated as of the date of delivery, as the date of original issue, and will bear interest payable on February 1 and August 1 of each year, commencing August 1, 2014. Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months.

The Bonds will mature February 1 in the years and amounts\* as follows:

2015	\$190,000	2018	\$225,000	2021	\$235,000	2024	\$255,000	2027	\$275,000
2016	\$220,000	2019	\$230,000	2022	\$245,000	2025	\$260,000	2028	\$285,000
2017	\$225,000	2020	\$235,000	2023	\$250,000	2026	\$270,000		

\* *The District reserves the right, after proposals are opened and prior to award, to increase or reduce the principal amount of the Bonds or the amount of any maturity in multiples of \$5,000. In the event the amount of any maturity is modified, the aggregate purchase price will be adjusted to result in the same gross spread per \$1,000 of Bonds as that of the original proposal. Gross spread is the differential between the price paid to the District for the new issue and the prices at which the securities are initially offered to the investing public.*

Proposals for the Bonds may contain a maturity schedule providing for a combination of serial bonds and term bonds. All term bonds shall be subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption at a price of par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption scheduled to conform to the maturity schedule set forth above. In order to designate term bonds, the proposal must specify "Years of Term Maturities" in the spaces provided on the Proposal form.

## BOOK ENTRY SYSTEM

The Bonds will be issued by means of a book entry system with no physical distribution of Bonds made to the public. The Bonds will be issued in fully registered form and one Bond, representing the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds maturing in each year, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co. as nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York, which will act as securities depository of the Bonds. Individual purchases of the Bonds may be made in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any multiple thereof of a single maturity through book entries made on the books and records of DTC and its participants. Principal and interest are payable by the registrar to DTC or its nominee as registered owner of the Bonds. Transfer of principal and interest payments to participants of DTC will be the responsibility of DTC; transfer of principal and interest payments to beneficial owners by participants will be the responsibility of such participants and other nominees of beneficial owners. The purchaser, as a condition of delivery of the Bonds, will be required to deposit the Bonds with DTC.

## REGISTRAR

The District will name the registrar which shall be subject to applicable SEC regulations. The District will pay for the services of the registrar.

## OPTIONAL REDEMPTION

The District may elect on February 1, 2023, and on any day thereafter, to prepay Bonds due on or after February 1, 2024. Redemption may be in whole or in part and if in part at the option of the District and in such manner as the District shall determine. If less than all Bonds of a maturity are called for redemption, the District will notify DTC of the particular amount of such maturity to be prepaid. DTC will determine by lot the amount of each participant's interest in such maturity to be redeemed and each participant will then select by lot the beneficial ownership interests in such maturity to be redeemed. All prepayments shall be at a price of par plus accrued interest.

## SECURITY AND PURPOSE

The Bonds will be general obligations of the District for which the District will pledge its full faith and credit and power to levy direct general ad valorem taxes. In addition, the District will pledge available tax abatement revenues. The District has also covenanted and obligated itself to be bound by the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.55 and to use the provisions of that statute pursuant to which the State of Minnesota will appropriate money to the payment of the principal and interest on the Bonds when due if the District is unable to make a principal or interest payment. The proceeds will be used to finance the acquisition of an ice arena and field house within the District.

## BIDDING PARAMETERS

Proposals shall be for not less than \$3,362,600 plus accrued interest, if any, on the total principal amount of the Bonds.

No proposal can be withdrawn or amended after the time set for receiving proposals unless the meeting of the District scheduled for award of the Bonds is adjourned, recessed, or continued to another date without award of the Bonds having been made. Rates shall be in integral multiples of 1/100 or 1/8 of 1%. The initial price to the public for each maturity must be 98.0% or greater. Bonds of the same maturity shall bear a single rate from the date of the Bonds to the date of maturity. No conditional proposals will be accepted.

## GOOD FAITH DEPOSIT

Proposals, regardless of method of submission, shall be accompanied by a Deposit in the amount of \$34,000, in the form of a certified or cashier's check, a wire transfer, or Financial Surety Bond and delivered to Springsted Incorporated prior to the time proposals will be opened. Each bidder shall be solely responsible for the timely delivery of their Deposit whether by check, wire transfer or Financial Surety Bond. Neither the District nor Springsted Incorporated have any liability for delays in the transmission of the Deposit.

Any Deposit made by **certified or cashier's check** should be made payable to the District and delivered to Springsted Incorporated, 380 Jackson Street, Suite 300, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101.

Any Deposit sent via **wire transfer** should be sent to Springsted Incorporated as the District's agent according to the following instructions:

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., San Francisco, CA 94104  
ABA #121000248  
for credit to Springsted Incorporated, Account #635-5007954  
Ref: Forest Lake ISD No. 831, MN Series 2013A Good Faith Deposit

Contemporaneously with such wire transfer, the bidder shall send an e-mail to [bond\\_services@springsted.com](mailto:bond_services@springsted.com), including the following information; (i) indication that a wire transfer has been made, (ii) the amount of the wire transfer, (iii) the issue to which it applies, and (iv) the return wire instructions if such bidder is not awarded the Bonds.

Any Deposit made by the successful bidder by check or wire transfer will be delivered to the District following the award of the Bonds. Any Deposit made by check or wire transfer by an unsuccessful bidder will be returned to such bidder following District action relative to an award of the Bonds.

If a **Financial Surety Bond** is used, it must be from an insurance company licensed to issue such a bond in the State of Minnesota and pre-approved by the District. Such bond must be submitted to Springsted Incorporated prior to the opening of the proposals. The Financial Surety Bond must identify each underwriter whose Deposit is guaranteed by such Financial Surety Bond. If the Bonds are awarded to an underwriter using a Financial Surety Bond, then that underwriter is required to submit its Deposit to the District in the form of a certified or cashier's check or wire transfer as instructed by Springsted Incorporated not later than 3:30 P.M., Central Time on the next business day following the award. If such Deposit is not received by that time, the Financial Surety Bond may be drawn by the District to satisfy the Deposit requirement.

The Deposit received from the purchaser, the amount of which will be deducted at settlement, will be deposited by the District and no interest will accrue to the purchaser. In the event the purchaser fails to comply with the accepted proposal, said amount will be retained by the District.

#### AWARD

The Bonds will be awarded on the basis of the lowest interest rate to be determined on a true interest cost (TIC) basis calculated on the proposal prior to any adjustment made by the District. The District's computation of the interest rate of each proposal, in accordance with customary practice, will be controlling.

The District will reserve the right to: (i) waive non-substantive informalities of any proposal or of matters relating to the receipt of proposals and award of the Bonds, (ii) reject all proposals without cause, and (iii) reject any proposal that the District determines to have failed to comply with the terms herein.

#### BOND INSURANCE AT PURCHASER'S OPTION

The District has **not** applied for or pre-approved a commitment for any policy of municipal bond insurance with respect to the Bonds. If the Bonds qualify for municipal bond insurance and a bidder desires to purchase a policy, such indication, the maturities to be insured, and the name of the desired insurer must be set forth on the bidder's Proposal. The District specifically reserves the right to reject any bid specifying municipal bond insurance, even though such bid may result in the lowest TIC to the District. All costs associated with the issuance and administration of such policy and associated ratings and expenses (other than any independent rating requested by the District) shall be paid by the successful bidder. Failure of the municipal bond insurer to issue the policy after the award of the Bonds shall not constitute cause for failure or refusal by the successful bidder to accept delivery of the Bonds.

#### CUSIP NUMBERS

If the Bonds qualify for assignment of CUSIP numbers such numbers will be printed on the Bonds, but neither the failure to print such numbers on any Bond nor any error with respect thereto will constitute cause for failure or refusal by the purchaser to accept delivery of the Bonds. The CUSIP Service Bureau charge for the assignment of CUSIP identification numbers shall be paid by the purchaser.

#### SETTLEMENT

On or about August 27, 2013, the Bonds will be delivered without cost to the purchaser through DTC in New York, New York. Delivery will be subject to receipt by the purchaser of an approving legal opinion of Dorsey & Whitney LLP of Minneapolis, Minnesota, and of customary

closing papers, including a no-litigation certificate. On the date of settlement, payment for the Bonds shall be made in federal, or equivalent, funds that shall be received at the offices of the District or its designee not later than 12:00 Noon, Central Time. Unless compliance with the terms of payment for the Bonds has been made impossible by action of the District, or its agents, the purchaser shall be liable to the District for any loss suffered by the District by reason of the purchaser's non-compliance with said terms for payment.

#### CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

In accordance with SEC Rule 15c2-12(b)(5), the District will undertake, pursuant to the resolution awarding sale of the Bonds, to provide annual reports and notices of certain events. A description of this undertaking is set forth in the Official Statement. The purchaser's obligation to purchase the Bonds will be conditioned upon receiving evidence of this undertaking at or prior to delivery of the Bonds.

#### OFFICIAL STATEMENT

The District has authorized the preparation of an Official Statement containing pertinent information relative to the Bonds, and said Official Statement will serve as a nearly final Official Statement within the meaning of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission. For copies of the Official Statement or for any additional information prior to sale, any prospective purchaser is referred to the Financial Advisor to the District, Springsted Incorporated, 380 Jackson Street, Suite 300, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55101, telephone (651) 223-3000.

The Official Statement, when further supplemented by an addendum or addenda specifying the maturity dates, principal amounts and interest rates of the Bonds, together with any other information required by law, shall constitute a "Final Official Statement" of the District with respect to the Bonds, as that term is defined in Rule 15c2-12. By awarding the Bonds to any underwriter or underwriting syndicate submitting a proposal therefor, the District agrees that, no more than seven business days after the date of such award, it shall provide without cost to the senior managing underwriter of the syndicate to which the Bonds are awarded up to 25 copies of the Official Statement and the addendum or addenda described above. The District designates the senior managing underwriter of the syndicate to which the Bonds are awarded as its agent for purposes of distributing copies of the Final Official Statement to each Participating Underwriter. Any underwriter delivering a proposal with respect to the Bonds agrees thereby that if its proposal is accepted by the District (i) it shall accept such designation and (ii) it shall enter into a contractual relationship with all Participating Underwriters of the Bonds for purposes of assuring the receipt by each such Participating Underwriter of the Final Official Statement.

Dated June 27, 2013

BY ORDER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

/s/ Karen Morehead  
Clerk