DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Greenbush-Middle River School District #2683 is proposing a two question referendum on November 7, 2017. The first ballot question would authorize the revocation of an existing \$806.05 per pupil operating referendum and replace it with a new authorization of \$1825.00 per pupil for a ten year period. The second question would authorize a 10-year capital projects levy of \$400,000 beginning with the Payable 2018 levy. The annual levy amount in the nine subsequent years would be computed by multiplying 14.351% times the Net Tax Capacity (NTC) of the school district and would be authorized for annual certification by the school board. The estimated total cost of the projects to be funded over the ten year period is \$4,000,000. Proposed projects include:

- · textbooks and materials
- learning equipment and furniture
- technology tools (equipment, software, infrastructure)
- Transportation (Replacement of school buses)

The school board is aware that capital projects levy proceeds are only authorized to fund the capital projects proposed in the review and comment submission and eligible under M.S. § 126C.10, subd. 14. The school board believes the proposed projects are in the best interest of the district.

REVIEW AND COMMENT STATEMENT

Based upon the department's analysis of the school district's required documentation and other pertinent information from sources of the Minnesota Department of Education, the Commissioner of Education provides a positive review and comment.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE

Persons desiring additional information regarding this proposal should contact the school district superintendent's office.

Dr. Brenda Cassellius Commissioner

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