

**EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF A MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH IN THE  
COUNTY OF SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY**

The meeting of The Board of Education of Township of Hillsborough in the County of Somerset, New Jersey, was held on Monday, January 7, 2019 at \_\_\_\_\_, Hillsborough, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order at \_\_\_\_ p.m.

Members PRESENT:

Members ABSENT:

The following resolution was introduced and moved for adoption by Member \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by Member \_\_\_\_\_:

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH IN THE COUNTY OF  
SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY PROVIDING FOR THE  
SUBMISSION OF A PROPOSAL FOR A TAX LEVY TO FUND  
SCHOOL DISTRICT EXPENSES AND FULL DAY  
KINDERGARTEN TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT VOTERS AT A  
SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION TO BE HELD ON  
TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2019**

**WHEREAS**, The Board of Education (the "Board" when referring to the governing body and the "School District" when referring to the territorial boundaries governed by the Board) of the Township of Hillsborough in the County of Somerset, New Jersey (the "State") is seeking to submit a proposal (the "Proposal") to the voters of the School District at a special School District election to be held on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 (the "Election") to authorize a tax levy to fund school district expenses and full day Kindergarten.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by The Board of Education of the Township of Hillsborough in the County of Somerset, New Jersey (not less than a majority of the full membership of the Board concurring) as follows:

1. The following shall be submitted to the legal voters of the School District at a special School District election (the "Election") to be held on Tuesday, March 12, 2019. The polls shall be open from 6:00 a.m. and shall remain open until 8:00 p.m. and as much longer as may be necessary to permit all the legal voters then present to vote and cast their ballot.

**PROPOSAL**

**There shall be raised an additional \$8,094,108 for General Funds in the 2019-20 School Year. These taxes will be used to provide funds to maintain levels of programs and class size. The taxes will also be used to implement a full day Kindergarten program, including the employment of additional personnel, the acquisition of supplies, and the payment of the initial set up and lease of temporary classrooms. Approval of these taxes will result in a permanent increase in the District's tax levy. The additional taxes authorized herein will be used exclusively for purposes described herein and to finance expenditures that are in**

**addition to those necessary to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards.**

**Explanation:**

**State funding for Hillsborough Township Public Schools is expected to decrease by \$5,346,508 over 6 years. The reduction in State funding coupled with rising costs outside of the Board's control will have a negative impact on instructional programs.**

**Passing the referendum will allow the District to maintain current programs and class size. In addition, the District would implement a full day Kindergarten program. Teachers, supplies, and the initial set up and lease of temporary classrooms will be funded, so that full day Kindergarten will begin in the fall of 2019. Approximately 90% of districts in New Jersey offer full day Kindergarten. Meeting the State Standards for Kindergarten is much more challenging in a half day versus a full day program. The State aid formula calculates funding full day Kindergarten programs at twice the amount as a half day Kindergarten program.**

**If not passed, the School District would need to consider reducing teachers and staff, increasing class size, increasing fees for students to participate in athletics and co-curricular activities, increasing fees for technology, and eliminating programs that the Board could no longer afford. These negative programmatic impacts would continue in future years as State funding is scheduled to be decreased by \$5,346,508 over 6 years.**

2. The Board hereby approves and adopts the Proposal and, subject to the approval of the legal voters of the School District, hereby determines to carry out the same.

3. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized and directed, in conjunction with Bond Counsel, to deliver a certified copy of this resolution and such other information as shall be necessary to comply with applicable provisions of the law, to the Executive Somerset County Superintendent of Schools, Somerset County Clerk, Somerset County Board of Elections, and to the Clerk of the Township of Hillsborough, and to request such persons to undertake their respective functions under the Election Law, as applicable, in connection with the Election. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized to amend the Proposal to conform same to statutory requirements.

4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSTENTIONS:

ABSENCES:

