ORDER CALLING A VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE ELECTION PURSUANT TO SECTION 26.08 OF THE PROPERTY TAX CODE

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

§ GARLAND INDEPENDENT

§ SCHOOL DISTRICT

COUNTY OF DALLAS §

On this the 12th day of August, 2025, the Board of Trustees of the GARLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT convened in regular session with the following members present, to-wit:

Johnny Beach, President
Wesley Johnson, Vice President
Daphne Stanley, Secretary
James Miller, Assistant Secretary
Larry Glick, Member
Linda L. Griffin, Member
Robert Selders Jr., Member

constituting a quorum, and among other proceedings had by said Board of Trustees were the following:

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Garland Independent School District ("the Board") has adopted a tax rate that exceeds the District's voter-approval tax rate; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 26.08 of the Texas Property Tax Code, the Board hereby finds and determines that it is necessary and advisable to hold a voter-approval tax rate election for and within the District to determine whether to approve the tax rate adopted by the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE GARLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

1. An election shall be held on the 4th day of November, 2025, in the Garland Independent School District, which date is seventy-eight (78) or more days from the date of the adoption hereof, and is a uniform election date pursuant to Texas Election Code, Section 41.001, for the purpose of voting for or against the following measure:

"Ratifying the ad valorem tax rate of 1.1709 in Garland Independent School District for the current year, a rate that will result in an increase of 16.49 percent in maintenance and operations tax revenue for the district for the current year as compared to the preceding year, which is an additional \$41,996,738."

- 2. The ballot for the election shall be prepared and styled in accordance with the requirements of the Texas Election Code.
- 3. The election shall be administered by the Dallas County Elections Department and conducted as a joint election with participating entities in precincts that can be served by common polling places pursuant to Chapter 271 of the Texas Election Code: **Exhibit A**. All election judges, alternate judges, clerks, members of the early voting ballot board, central counting station officials, and other personnel designated by the Dallas County Elections Department to conduct the election in the precincts covered by this Order are hereby appointed and confirmed. The Dallas County Elections Department shall furnish all necessary election equipment, programming, ballots, and other election supplies necessary for a lawful election pursuant to the terms of the contract between the County and the District. Polling places may be combined for some precincts, pursuant to decisions by the Dallas County Elections Department.
- 4. The polls at the above designated polling places shall on Election Day be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- 5. Heider Garcia is hereby appointed Early Voting Clerk. Early voting for the above designated election shall be held at the following locations within Garland Independent School District boundary: Makkah Masjid IDEA 3301 Buckingham Rd. Garland, Texas 75040; Vietnamese Community Center 3221 Beltline Rd. Garland, Texas 75044; Dallas College-Garland Center 675 W. Walnut St. Garland, Texas 75040; Rowlett Community Centre 5300 Main Street Rowlett, Texas 75088; Sachse City Hall 3815-B Sachse Road Sachse, Texas 75043; South Garland Branch Library 4845 Broadway Boulevard Garland, Texas 75043 and other early voting locations as designated by the Dallas County Elections Department detailed in **Exhibit A**. Said places of early voting shall remain open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday, October 20, 2025-Friday, October 24, 2025; Saturday, October 25, 2025, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.; Sunday, October 31, 2025, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. The Early Voting Clerk's mailing address to which ballot applications shall be sent and where persons voting by mail shall deliver their voted ballots is Heider Garcia, Early Voting Clerk, Dallas County Elections Department, 1520 Round

Table Drive, Dallas, Texas 75247. Emailed applications for Ballots may also be sent to the Early Voting Clerk at evapplications@dallascounty.org; or DCECommunications@dallascounty.org with a copy sent to heider.garcia@dallascounty.org. Applications must be scanned and contain the voter's original signature.

The early voting locations are subject to change, based on decisions made by the Dallas County Elections Department.

- 6. Dr. Ricardo López, Superintendent, is authorized to contract with the County of Dallas and the Commissioners Court, or any other agency, on behalf of the School District for the carrying out of this election by the office of the Dallas County Elections Administrator in a joint election with other Dallas County government entities.
- 7. This Board of Trustees in conjunction with Dallas County Elections Department has determined that during this Joint Election, voters will cast their ballots on the following voting systems, that are approved by the Texas Secretary of State in accordance with the Texas Election Code and the Texas Administrative Code and hereby adopts this system for use in this election: the ES&S ExpressVote Universal Voting System Ballot Marking Devices ("BMD(s)"), and the ES&S DS200 Digital Vote Center Scanner ("Tabulators"). Each of these systems are accessible to voters with physical disabilities. Furthermore, the Elections Administrator will provide Electronic Poll Books, BMDs, Tabulators, and any other necessary equipment for this Joint Election, any Special Called Election and any related subsequent runoff elections. For Early Voting and on Election Day, the Elections Administrator will allocate voting equipment to the vote centers in amounts reasonably sufficient for the anticipated turnout of voters.
- 8. The manner of holding said election shall be governed, as nearly as may be, by the Election Code of this State, and the office of the Dallas County Elections Administrator shall furnish all necessary ballots and other election supplies requisite to said election.
- 9. The early voting ballots shall be processed by the Joint Election Early Voting Ballot Board appointed by Dallas County.
- 10. The Board of Trustees shall give notice of said election. The Board President, as the presiding officer of the Board of Trustees, is hereby authorized to execute the notice of election. The Secretary of the Board of Trustees is hereby authorized and instructed to post or cause to be posted said notice on the bulletin board used for posting notices of the meetings of the Board of Trustees.

Said posting shall be made at least 21 days (Tuesday, October 14, 2025) before the date of said election.

The Secretary shall also cause a copy of the election notice to be (1) posted on the District's website and (2) published one time in a newspaper of general circulation in the County where the School District is located. Said newspaper publication shall be not more than 30 days (Sunday, October 5, 2025), nor less than 10 days (Saturday, October 25, 2025) before the date of said election.

It is further found and determined that written notice of the date, place and subject of this meeting was posted on the bulletin board located in the central administrative office in this School District, in a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public, and said notice, having been so posted, remained posted for the time required by law to precede the scheduled time of said meeting.

The above order being read, it was moved and seconded that the same does pass. Thereupon, the question being called for, the following members of the Board voted "AYE": Johnny Beach, Linda L. Griffin, James Miller, Daphne Stanley, Robert Selders, Jr., and Wesley Johnson with no persons voting "NO."

JOHNNY BEACH, PRESIDENT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

GARLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

ATTEST:

DAPHNE STANLEY, SECRETARY

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