

**A RESOLUTION CALLING AN ELECTION FOR GERING PUBLIC SCHOOLS
AND RELATED MATTERS**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY
SCHOOL DISTRICT 0016 (GERING PUBLIC SCHOOLS) IN THE STATE OF NEBRASKA:**

Section 1. The Board of Education (the “**Board**”) of Scotts Bluff County School District 0016 (Gering Public Schools) in the State of Nebraska (the “**District**”) hereby finds and determines as follows:

(a) It is necessary and appropriate for the District to construct additions, renovations, and improvements to the District’s existing middle school buildings and facilities (collectively, the “**Project**”), which may include, without limitation, the following:

- New secure single entrance to strengthen campus safety and improve visitor access;
- Approximately 61,054 square feet of new construction to support student academic achievement;
- Approximately 25,361 square feet of renovated space for Career and Technical Education (CTE), improving hands-on learning;
- New competition gym, two-mat wrestling/multipurpose room, and athletic locker rooms for physical education and athletics; and
- Major site improvements including redesigned traffic flow, a dedicated bus drop-off area, safer student walkways, and 90 new dedicated parking spaces.

(b) To pay the costs of the Project, and to achieve the lowest borrowing cost for the Project, it is in the best interests of the District to seek voter approval for issuance of its general obligation bonds in an aggregate stated principal amount not to exceed Twenty-Nine Million Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$29,750,000) (the “**Bonds**”), and for a property tax levy to pay principal and interest thereon.

(c) The Board expects voter-approved bonds under the ballot language approved in this resolution will achieve the lowest borrowing cost for the District and its taxpayers for the Project.

Section 2. An election is hereby called (the “**Election**”) and shall be held in conjunction with the Statewide General Election in the District on November 3, 2026, (the “**Election Date**”) on the following proposition shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the District:

“Shall Scotts Bluff County School District 0016 (Gering Public Schools) in the State of Nebraska (the “**District**”) issue general obligation bonds to pay the costs of additions, renovations, and improvements to the District’s existing middle school buildings and facilities, which may include, without limitation, the following:

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with such bonds to be issued in an aggregate stated principal amount not to exceed Twenty-Nine Million Seven Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$29,750,000), in one or more series, at such time or times, to bear interest at such rate or rates, to be sold at

such prices and to become due at such time or times as may be fixed by, or determined at the direction of, the Board of Education; and

“Shall the District cause to be levied and collected annually a special levy of taxes against all the taxable property in the District sufficient in rate and amount to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds as the same become due?”

The ballots to be voted on and cast at such election shall have printed thereon the foregoing proposition with the words “FOR such Bonds and tax” and “AGAINST such Bonds and tax” following the proposition.

Qualified electors voting in favor of the proposition shall blacken the oval opposite the words “FOR such Bonds and tax” following such proposition, and qualified electors voting against such proposition shall blacken the oval opposite the words “AGAINST such Bonds and tax” following such proposition.

Section 3. Notice of the Election shall be given by the District to the qualified electors of the District for at least twenty days prior to the Election and a copy of the sample ballot shall be published one time not more than ten days nor less than three days prior to the Election, or as otherwise provided by law. Such notice and sample ballot shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the District, and the Superintendent of the District is directed to cause such notice and sample ballot to be published.

Section 4. The Secretary of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the Election Commissioner of Scotts Bluff County, Nebraska, (the “**Election Commissioner**”) on or before September 1, 2026, who shall conduct the Election as provided by law. The District hereby agrees to reimburse the Election Commissioner for the expenses of conducting the Election.

Section 5. The form of ballot and form of notice for the Election shall be in substantially the form attached to this Resolution as **Attachment I**, with such other additions and changes determined appropriate by the Election Commissioner. The Secretary of the Board is hereby authorized and directed, in coordination with the Election Commissioner conducting the Election, to arrange for the printing of the necessary ballots for the Election and to do all other things and to take all other appropriate or necessary action in order to cause such proposition to be submitted to the qualified electors of the District on the Election Date as above provided.

Section 6. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, the Superintendent of the District and the President and Secretary of the Board are hereby authorized and directed to (a) cause the form of ballot and form of notice approved herein and attached hereto as **Attachment I** to be published in accordance with applicable laws, with such changes therein as such officials, in consultation with counsel to the District and bond counsel, deem necessary to conform to such laws; and (b) take all further actions necessary to comply with all publication and filing deadlines and other election procedures and requirements as may be necessary or proper to submit the proposition described in **Section 2** hereof to the qualified electors of the District on the Election Date.

Section 7. This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage as provided by law.

PASSED: August ____, 2026.

**SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY SCHOOL
DISTRICT 0016 (GERING PUBLIC SCHOOLS)
IN THE STATE OF NEBRASKA**

ATTEST:

By: _____
President

By: _____
Secretary

SAMPLE BALLOT

\$29,500,000

SCHOOL BOND ELECTION

**SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 0016
(GERING PUBLIC SCHOOLS)
IN THE STATE OF NEBRASKA**

Tuesday, November 3, 2026

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NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOND ELECTION

\$29,500,000

**SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 0016
(GERING PUBLIC SCHOOLS)
IN THE STATE OF NEBRASKA**

Tuesday, November 3, 2026

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to the qualified electors of Scotts Bluff County School District 0016 (Gering Public Schools) in the State of Nebraska (the “**District**”) that an election to be held in conjunction with the Statewide General Election has been called and will be held in the District on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, at which time there shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the District the following proposition:

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The polls will be open continuously from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on such date. The voting places for qualified electors of the District will be the same as the voting places designated for the Statewide General Election. The polling places are accessible to individuals with physical mobility limitations.

Ballots for early voting may be obtained from the Election Commissioner's office of the county in which the voter lives.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
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