AN ORDER BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE SUNRAY COLLEGIATE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT CALLING A BOND ELECTION TO BE HELD WITHIN THE DISTRICT; MAKING PROVISIONS FOR THE CONDUCT AND THE GIVING OF NOTICE OF THE ELECTION; AND CONTAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING THERETO

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the Sunray Collegiate Independent School District (the "District") finds that an election should be held to determine whether the Board shall be authorized to issue bonds of the District in the amounts and for the purposes hereinafter set forth; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds and determines that all facilities to be acquired, constructed, renovated, improved or equipped pursuant to Proposition A herein will be used predominantly for required classroom instruction and essential administrative operations for faculty and staff; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds and determines that the meeting at which this Order is considered is open to the public, and that the public notice of the time, place and purpose of the meeting was given, as required by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as amended;

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

Section 1. <u>Findings</u>. The statements contained in the preamble of this Order are true and correct and are hereby adopted as findings of fact and as a part of the operative provisions hereof.

Section 2. <u>Election Ordered; Date; Propositions</u>. A bond election (the "Election") shall be held in the District on Saturday, May 7, 2022 ("Election Day"), a uniform election date as established by Section 41.001(a) of the Texas Election Code, as amended (the "Code"). At the Election, the following propositions (individually, the "Proposition" and collectively the "Propositions") shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the District in accordance with law:

#### SUNRAY COLLEGIATE ISD - PROPOSITION A

Shall the board of trustees of Sunray Collegiate Independent School District be authorized to issue and sell bonds of the District in the principal amount of \$4,000,000 for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, renovating, improving and equipping school buildings of the District, for the purchase of necessary sites for school buildings; and shall there be levied, assessed and collected annually ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the District sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due and to pay the costs of any credit agreements executed or authorized in anticipation of, in relation to or in connection with the bonds; said bonds to be issued in one or more series or issues, to mature serially or otherwise not more than 40 years from their date, and to bear interest at such rate or rates not to exceed the limit prescribed by law at the time of issuance, as the board of trustees in its discretion shall determine?

Section 3. Official Ballot. The official ballots for the Election shall be prepared in accordance with the Code so as to permit the electors to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" each Proposition which shall be set forth on the ballots substantially in the following form:

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**FOR** 

**AGAINST** 

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"THE ISSUANCE OF \$4,000,000 OF SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS FOR ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING, RENOVATING,
 IMPROVING AND EQUIPPING SCHOOL BUILDINGS, FOR THE PURCHASE OF NECESSARY SITES FOR SCHOOL BUILDINGS, AND THE LEVYING OF A TAX SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS AND TO PAY THE COSTS OF ANY CREDIT AGREEMENTS EXECUTED OR AUTHORIZED IN ANTICIPATION OF, IN RELATION TO OR IN CONNECTION WITH THE BONDS. THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE."

Section 4. <u>Bilingual Election Materials</u>. All notices, instructions, and ballots pertaining to the Election shall be furnished to voters in both English and Spanish.

Section 5. <u>Persons Qualified to Vote</u>. All resident, qualified electors of the District shall be eligible to vote at the Election.

Section 6. <u>Election Precincts, Voting Locations and Voting Hours on Election Day.</u>
The election precincts for the Election shall consist of the territory within the boundaries of the District situated within one or more County election precincts located wholly or partially within the District. The precinct numbers of the District's election precincts shall be the same as those

assigned by Moore County and Sherman County, as applicable, to those Counties' election precincts. The polling places for the Election are hereby designated to be those locations identified by the Moore County Election Officer and Sherman County Election Officer (as defined herein). Such locations are listed on Exhibit A attached hereto, which is incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof for all purposes; provided, however, such locations may be changed if so directed by the Moore County Election Officer and Sherman County Election Officer without further action of the District. Moore County and Sherman County or their respective Election Officers are hereby authorized and directed to make such changes in polling locations as may be necessary for the proper conduct of the Election, without further action by the District, and the President of the Board or his/her designee is hereby authorized to update Exhibit A to reflect the locations designated by Moore County and Sherman County or their respective Election Officers, which locations are hereby approved. Each polling place shall be open from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. on Election Day.

- Section 7. <u>Early Voting Locations Dates and Times</u>. (a) Brenda McKanna (the "Moore County Elections Officer") and Laura Rogers (the "Sherman County Elections Officer" and together with the Moore County Elections Officer, the "Elections Officers") are appointed as the Early Voting Clerks for Moore County and Sherman County, respectively, for purposes of this Election (the "Early Voting Clerks").
  - (b) The main early voting polling place for Moore County is hereby designated to be First Street Annex, 310 E. 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Dumas, TX 79029. The main early voting polling place for Sherman County is hereby designated to be County & District Clerks Office, 701 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Stratford, Texas.
  - (c) The early voting places and the addresses for early voting by mail for the Election are hereby designated as set forth in Exhibit B; provided, however, such locations may be changed if so directed by the Election Officer without further action of the District. The Election Officer is hereby authorized and directed to make such changes in locations as may be necessary for the proper conduct of the Election. The President of the Board or his designee is hereby authorized to update Exhibit B to reflect the locations designated by the Election Officers, and such locations are hereby approved. The Election Officers and/or Early Voting Clerks are hereby authorized to appoint the members of the Early Voting Ballot board and the presiding judges and alternate judges for each polling location in accordance with the requirements of the Code. Each of the presiding judges shall be authorized to approve the necessary election clerks to assist in conducting the Elections.
- (d) Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted on the days and during the hours set forth in Exhibit B, as may be adjusted by the Election Officer without further Board action.
- (e) The address for the Early Voting Clerk of Moore County and the address for applications for ballot by mail is 715 Dumas Ave., Room 107, Dumas, TX 79029 may be reached at: (806) 935-2009, bmckanna@moore-tx.com and <a href="http://www.co.moore.tx.us/">http://www.co.moore.tx.us/</a>. The address for the Early Voting Clerk of Sherman County and the address for applications for ballot by mail is Sherman County and District Clerks Office, 701 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Stratford, Texas 79084

and may be reached at: (806) 366-2371, laurarogers@co.sherman.tx.us and <a href="http://www.co.sherman.tx.us/page/sherman.Elections">http://www.co.sherman.tx.us/page/sherman.Elections</a>.

- (f) Voting times may be changed if so directed by the Election Officers without further action of the District. The Election Officers are hereby authorized and directed to make such changes in voting hours as may be necessary for the proper conduct of the Election.
- Section 8. Appointment of Election Officers. The Election shall be conducted under the jurisdiction of the Moore County Election Officer and Sherman County Election Officer pursuant to the direction of the Board of Trustees and may be pursuant to Joint Election Contracts (the "Contracts") by and among the District and Moore County and Sherman County, respectively, and other participating entities if any, described in the Contracts. The Contracts provide for the joint election and the conduct of the Election by the Election Officers, if any, shall be presented to the Board for consideration and approval. The Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee is authorized to amend or supplement any such Contract to the extent required for the Election to be conducted in an efficient and legal manner as determined by the Election Officers.
- Section 9. Notice of Election. Notice of the Election shall be given by: (i) publishing a substantial copy of this Order, in English and Spanish, one time not earlier than the thirtieth (30th) day nor later than the tenth (10th) day prior to the date set for the Election, in a newspaper published in the District (or that otherwise complies with applicable law), (ii) posting a copy of this Order on the bulletin board used for posting notices of meetings of the Board and the Order and the Voter Information Document (as hereinafter defined)in English and Spanish in at least three (3) other public places within the boundaries of the District, not later than the twenty-first (21st) day prior to the date set for the Election and (iii) posting a copy of this Order and the Voter Information Document, in English and Spanish, on the District's website, prominently and together with the notice of the Election and the contents of the Proposition and any sample ballot prepared for the Proposition, not later than the twenty-first (21st) day prior to the date set for the Election through Election Day. Additionally, on Election Day and during early voting by personal appearance, this Order and the Voter Information Document shall be posted in a prominent location at each polling place. Notice of the Election shall also be provided to the county clerks and voter registrars of Moore County and Sherman County not later than the 60th day before the Election Day; which notice the County is hereby authorized and directed to post to its website not later than the twenty-first (21st) day prior to the date set for the Election.
- Section 10. <u>Conduct of Election</u>. The Election shall be held in accordance with the Code, except as modified by the Texas Education Code, the Texas Government Code, and the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, including particularly Chapter 272 of the Code pertaining to bilingual requirements. The website for the District can be found at <u>sunrayisd.org</u>.

#### Section 11. Additional Information Required by Section 3.009 of the Election Code.

(a) <u>District's Outstanding Debt</u>. As of the effective date of this Order, the District's aggregate principal amount of outstanding of tax-supported debt was \$16,539,999.90 and the aggregate amount of outstanding interest on such tax-supported debt was \$5,218,358.60. The District's total ad valorem tax rate for the current fiscal

year was \$1.40, which is comprised of a maintenance and operations tax rate component of \$0.93 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation and a debt service tax rate of \$0.47 per \$100 of assessed valuation. The District's taxable assessed valuation for calendar year 2021, as of the date that the current tax rate was established, was \$267,591,788 for maintenance and operations tax purposes and \$267,591,788 for debt service tax purposes.

- Issuance of New Debt. The District intends to issue the bonds authorized (b) by the Proposition over a period of years in a manner and in accordance with a schedule to be determined by the Board based upon a number of factors, including, but not limited to, the then current needs of the District, demographic changes, prevailing market conditions, assessed valuations of property in the District and management of the District's short-term and long-term interest rate exposure. Market conditions. demographics and assessed valuations of property vary based upon a number of factors beyond the District's control and the use of variable rate debt involves periodic adjustments in interest rates that vary based on market conditions and contractual obligations. Therefore, the District cannot and does not guarantee a particular interest rate or tax rate associated with the bonds authorized by the Proposition. As such, the information contained in this paragraph is provided solely for illustrative purposes and does not establish any limitations or restrictions or create a contract with the voters. The District estimates that, based on the District's current taxable assessed valuation, current market conditions and estimated future growth in the District's taxable assessed valuation, if all of the bonds authorized by the Proposition were issued in accordance with the District's current project finance plan, the maximum interest rate on the bonds is not expected to exceed 4%.
- (c) <u>Additional Information</u>. The additional information required by Section 3.009 of the Code is located in Sections 2 and 3 of this Order.
- Section 12. <u>Voter Information Document</u>. The President of the Board, the Superintendent of the District, or their designee, acting on behalf of the Board, in consultation with the District's General Counsel and bond counsel, is hereby authorized and directed to provide a voter information document, in the form prescribed by Section 1251.052(b), Texas Government Code (the "Information Document").

The President of the Board, the Superintendent of the District, or their designee, acting on behalf of the Board, is further authorized and directed to post the Information Document in the same manner as provided for notice of the Election under Section 9 of this Order, and additionally on the District's website in an easily accessible manner beginning not later than the twenty-first (21st) day before the date set for the Election and ending on the day after Election Day.

- Section 13. <u>Internet Posting</u>. Notice of the Election shall be posted to the District's internet website not later than the 21<sup>st</sup> day before the election, incompliance with Section 4.009, Texas Election Code, as amended.
- Section 14. Necessary Actions. The President of the Board, the Superintendent of the District, or their designee, acting on behalf of the Board, in consultation with the District's

General Counsel and bond counsel, is hereby authorized and directed to take any and all actions necessary to comply with the provisions of the Code and the Federal Voting Rights Act in carrying out and conducting the Election, whether or not expressly authorized herein, including making changes or additions to polling places or procedures to the extent required or desirable as determined by the County Election Officials or as may become necessary due to circumstances arising after the date of this Order.

Section 15. <u>Severability</u>. If any provision, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Order, or the application of same to any person or set of circumstances is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, void, invalid, or unenforceable, neither the remaining portions of this Order nor their application to other persons or sets of circumstances shall be affected thereby, it being the intent of the Board in adopting this Order that no portion hereof or provision or regulation contained herein shall become inoperative or fail by reason of any unconstitutionality, voidness, invalidity or unenforceability of any other portion hereof, and all provisions of this Order are declared to be severable for that purpose.

Section 16. <u>Appointment of Election Officers</u>. The Election Officers are hereby appointed Election Officer for the District and agent for the custodian of voted ballots in the respective jurisdictions.

Section 17. <u>Effective Date</u>. This Order shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

## PASSED AND APPROVED this 10 day of January, 2022.

By:

Name: Scott Peeples

Title: President, Board of Trustees,

Sunray Collegiate ISD

ATTEST:

Name: Shianne Andujo

Title: Secretary, Board of Trustees

Sunray Collegiate ISD

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## **EXHIBIT A**

## ELECTION DAY 7 AM TO 7 PM

## **Moore County**

Sunray City Hall 405 Main Street Sunray, Tx 79086

## **Sherman County**

Precinct 2 County Barn County Road 24 and W

# **EXHIBIT B** Early Voting

### **Moore County**

April 25, 2022-May 3, 2022 8:00 A.M.-5:00 P.M Mon-Thursday 8:00 A.M.-12:30 P.M. Friday

> Main Early Voting Location: First Street Annex 310 E. 1st Street Dumas, Tx 79029

Additional Early Voting Location:

Sunray City Hall 405 Main Street Sunray, Tx 79086

Applications for Ballot by Mail

Moore County Early Voting Clerk 715 Dumas Ave., Room 107 Dumas, TX 79029

#### **Sherman County**

MONDAY-THURSDAY 8-5 Friday 8-2 (Open during lunch)

County & District Clerks Office 701 N. 3rd Street Stratford, Texas

Applications for Ballot by Mail

Sherman County Early Voting Clerk Sherman County and District Clerks Office 701 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Stratford, Texas 79084