

**SAN JUAN COUNTY PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 1**

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-551**

**A RESOLUTION** of the Board of Commissioners of San Juan County Public Hospital District No. 1 providing for the submission to the voters of the District at a general election to be held therein on November 2, 2021, in conjunction with the State general election to be held on the same day, a proposition authorizing a regular property tax levy of **\$0.70** per \$1,000 in assessed valuation. This proposition would authorize the District to restore a regular property tax levy of **\$0.70** per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for 2021 pursuant to RCW 84.55.050 and would be subject to any otherwise applicable statutory dollar rate limitations, all as more particularly set forth herein.

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners (the "Board") of San Juan County Public Hospital District No. 1 (the "District") recognizes the purposes of the District include providing health care and emergency medical services to residents of the District;

**WHEREAS**, the last levy lid lift for the District was in 2001;

**WHEREAS**, the District's levy increases are limited by state law to an increase of 101% per year unless the voters of the District approve a greater increase;

**WHEREAS**, the District has determined that it is in the best interests of its citizens for the District to acquire and operate a long-term care facility to provide long-term medical care to its citizens who might otherwise need to find such services off-island;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners has determined that the accelerated demands for, and increasing costs of, providing medical services and the costs associated with the acquisition and operation of a long-term care facility requires the generation of additional revenues above the threshold of a 101% increase; and

**WHEREAS**, the funds generated by this levy will not supplant existing funds used for the limited purpose set forth in the ballot title for a levy lid lift.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED**, as follows:

**Section 1.** The District shall provide health care and emergency medical services as authorized by law.

**Section 2.** In order to provide the revenue adequate to pay the costs of maintaining and providing the services described in Section 1, to assure the continuation and improvement of such services, and to acquire a long-term care facility, the District shall, in accordance with RCW 84.55.050, remove the limitation on regular property taxes imposed by RCW 84.55.010 and levy beginning in 2021 and collect beginning in 2022, pursuant to RCW 70.44.060, a general tax on taxable property within the District at a rate of **\$0.70** per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation.

**Section 3.** There shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the district for their ratification or rejection at an election on November 2, 2021 the question of whether or not such levy shall be made.

**Section 4.** The District's attorney is authorized to make such minor adjustments to the wording of such proposition as deemed appropriate or as may be recommended by the San Juan County Prosecuting Attorney's Office or the San Juan County Auditor and its Supervisor of Elections, as long as the intent of the proposition remains clear and as approved by the Board of Commissioners.

**Section 5.** Pursuant to RCW 84.55.050 and 29A.36.071, the San Juan County Prosecuting Attorney is requested to prepare the concise description of the aforesaid proposition for the ballot title in substantially the following form:

**PROPOSITION NO. 1  
SAN JUAN COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 1  
AUTHORIZING REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY**

The Board of Commissioners of San Juan County Public Hospital District No. 1 (the "District"), adopted Resolution No. 2021-551 concerning a proposition to authorize the District's regular property tax levy. This measure would authorize a regular property tax levy of \$0.70 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation in 2021 (for collection in 2022) and would thereafter be subject to any otherwise applicable statutory dollar rate limitations. The dollar amount of this levy would be used for the purpose of computing the limitations for subsequent levies under RCW 84.55.050. Should this proposal be approved?

YES.....  
NO.....

**Section 6.** The Superintendent of the District is directed to (a) certify to the Auditor a copy of this Resolution showing its adoption by the Board by August 3, 2021; and (b) perform such other duties as are necessary and required by law in submitting to the voters of the District at the aforesaid election the proposition of whether such tax levy shall be made.

**Section 7.** The Superintendent of the District is authorized to implement such administrative procedures as may be necessary to carry out the directives of this legislation.

**Section 8.** This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon passage and signatures hereon.

**Section 9.** If any provision of this resolution is declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, then such provision shall be null and void and shall be severable from the remaining provisions of this resolution, and shall in no way affect the validity of the other provisions of this resolution.

**ADOPTED** by the Board of Commissioners of San Juan County Public Hospital District No. 1, at a regularly scheduled open public meeting thereof this 28 day of July, 2021, of which notice was given in the manner provided by law, the following Commissioners being present and voting.

*Signatures on following page*

**SAN JUAN COUNTY PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 1**

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Gail Leschine-Seitz, Commissioner

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Anna Lisa Lindstrum, Commissioner

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Everett Clary, Commissioner

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Kyle Loring, Commissioner

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Trish Lehman, Commissioner

ATTEST:

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Nathan Butler, Superintendent

## CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, Superintendent of San Juan County Public Hospital District No. 1, (the "District"), hereby certify as follows:

1. The attached copy of Resolution No. 2021-551 (the "Resolution") is a full, true, and correct copy of the Resolution duly adopted at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the District (the "Board") held on July 28, 2021, as the Resolution appears on the minute book of the District and the Resolution is now in full force and effect.
  
2. A quorum of the members of the Board was present throughout the meeting and a majority of those members present voted in the proper manner for the adoption of the Resolution.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand this [redacted] day of [redacted], 2021.

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Nathan Butler, Superintendent