## Bedford School District SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT February 5, 2019 and March 12, 2019 State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the school district in the Town of Bedford, New Hampshire, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Bedford High School in said district on Tuesday, February 5, 2019, at 7 p.m., for Session I (Deliberation), to discuss the matters to be voted on by official ballot; and on Tuesday, March 12, 2019, Session II (Voting) to vote on the matters inserted on said official ballot. The polls for voting on said ballot will open on said date at 7 a.m. and will not close earlier than 7 p.m. to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE I. [Election of officials.] To elect all necessary school district officials.

(Vote by official ballot.)

ARTICLE II. [Special Warrant Article: Energy Related Infrastructure Bond.] Shall the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,057,814 for the purpose of Energy Related Infrastructure projects, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$3,057,814 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, and further, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$64,000 for the first year's interest payments? (The School Board recommends a "yes" vote upon this question.) (3/5 vote required.)

ARTICLE III. [Negotiated agreement with the professional staff.] Shall the School District vote to approve the cost items included in the two-year collective bargaining agreement between the Bedford School District and the Bedford Education Association for the 2019/2020 and 2020/2021 school years, which resulted from negotiations with the professional staff and which calls for the following net changes in salaries, fringe benefits, and other cost items at the current staffing levels:

<u>Year</u>

**Estimated Cost** 

2019/20

\$ 560,181

2020/21

\$ 665,876

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of Five hundred sixty thousand, one hundred and eighty one dollars (\$560,181) to fund those additional cost items related to the first year which represents the negotiated changes from the 2018/2019 salaries, fringe benefits, and other cost items at the current staffing levels? (The School Board recommends a "yes" vote upon this question.) (Majority ballot vote required.)

ARTICLE IV. [Conditional article for Article III.] Shall the School District, if Article III is defeated, authorize the school board to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article III cost items only? (The School Board recommends a "yes" vote upon this question.) (Majority ballot vote required.)

ARTICLE V. [Operating budget.] Shall the School District vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including other appropriations voted separately in Article II and Article III, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Seventy-Four Million, Nine Hundred Ninety-Seven Thousand, Three Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$74,997,375)?

[Should this Article V be defeated, the operating budget shall be Seventy-Three Million, Six Hundred Ninety-Seven Thousand, Eight Hundred Sixty-Four Dollars (\$73,697,864) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the school district or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.) (The School Board recommends a "yes" vote upon this question.) (Majority ballot vote required.)

ARTICLE VI. [Acceptance of gifts.] Shall the School Board be authorized to accept on behalf of the District, without further action by the voters, gifts, legacies and devises of real or personal property which may become available to the district during the fiscal year? (The School Board recommends a "yes" vote upon this question.) (Majority ballot vote required.)

Given under our hands at said Bedford this 14th day of January, 2019.

SCHOOL BOARD

A true copy of warrant-attest:

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