Notice of Election November 5, 2024, General Election

To the Qualified Electors of Leelanau County

Notice is hereby given that a General Election will be held in said City/Townships of Leelanau County on Tuesday, November 5, 2024. The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Election Day Registrants may register to vote with their local township/city clerk on election day, with proof of residence. They have the option to vote an absent voter ballot in person with the local township/city clerk or vote in person in the proper precinct (MCL 168.761). Check to see your sample ballot or where you are registered to vote at: https://mvic.sos.state.mi.us/

The following polling locations will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Election Day:

BINGHAM TOWNSHIP

Township Hall 7171 S. Center Hwy. Old Bingham Schoolhouse

CENTERVILLE TOWNSHIP

Township Hall 5001 South French Road Cedar

CLEVELAND TOWNSHIP

Township Hall 955 W. Harbor Hwy. Maple City

ELMWOOD TOWNSHIP

Precinct #1, Township Center 10090 E. Lincoln Rd.

Precinct #2, Old Fire Station 10750 E. Cherry Bend Road Traverse City

EMPIRE TOWNSHIP

Township Hall 10088 W Front St. Empire

GLEN ARBOR TOWNSHIP

Township Hall 6394 W. Western Ave. Glen Arbor

KASSON TOWNSHIP

Township Hall 10988 S. Newman Rd. Maple City

LEELANAU TOWNSHIP

Leelanau Township Fire Station 100 W. 8th Street Northport

LELAND TOWNSHIP

Leland Township Fire Station 203 S. Grand Ave. Leland

SOLON TOWNSHIP

Township Hall 9191 S. Kasson Street Cedar

SUTTONS BAY TOWNSHIP

Suttons Bay Middle School Gym 310 S. Elm Street Suttons Bay

TRAVERSE CITY, Precinct #4

Traverse City Housing Commission 10200 E. Carter Centre Traverse City

Platte Township, Benzie County

(Glen Lake School District Voters that reside in Benzie County) Platte Township Hall 11935 Fowler Road Honor

Notice to Voters — Three options for voting are available:

• **Absentee Ballot** — contact your local clerk and request an absentee ballot or get on the permanent ballot list and a ballot will be mailed to you for every election.

Early Voting —

- Residents of Leelanau County, the following early voting site will be open 9 days prior to election day, Saturday, October 26, 2024 Sunday, November 3, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. The Early Voting site is the Leelanau County Government Center, 8527 E. Government Center Drive, Suttons Bay. You must be registered to vote prior to visiting an early voting site.
- Residents of City of Traverse City, Precinct 4 (Leelanau County), your Early Voting Site is the Government Center, 400 Boardman Ave., Traverse City, 9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m., Saturday, October 26, 2024 Sunday, November 3, 2024.
- Residents of Platte Township, Benzie County, your Early Voting Site is Lake Township Hall, 5153 Scenic Hwy., Honor, 8:30 a.m.— 4:30 p.m., Saturday, October 26, 2024 Sunday, November 3, 2024.
- Election Day Polling Precincts Election day polling precincts are open 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on November 5, 2024.

If you have a disability requiring any special assistance, please notify the local Clerk. All polling locations are handicap accessible and voting instructions are also available in audio and Braille.

On November 5, 2024, a State General Election will be held for the purpose of <u>electing</u> candidates from the Democratic Party, Republican Party, Libertarian Party, U.S. Taxpayers Party, Green Party, Working Class Party, Natural Law Party, along with candidates with No Party Affiliation.

The following Partisan and Nonpartisan offices will be on the ballot:

Partisan Section:

Presidential — President and Vice President of the United States

Congressional — United States Senator; Representative in Congress, 1st District

Legislative — Representative in State Legislature, 103rd District

State Boards — Member of the State Board of Education; Regent of the University of Michigan;

Trustee of Michigan State University; Governor of Wayne State University

County Offices — Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, Clerk, Treasurer, Register of Deeds, County Road Commissioners,

Drain Commissioner, County Commissioners

Township — Supervisor, Clerk, Treasurer, Trustees

Nonpartisan Section:

Judicial—Justice of Supreme Court, 8 Year Term; Justice of Supreme Court, Incumbent Position, Partial Term Ending 01/01/2029; Judge of Court of Appeals, 4th District, Incumbent Position, 6 Year Term; Judge of Court of Appeals, 4th District, Incumbent Position, Partial Term Ending 01/01/2027; Judge of Probate Court, Non-Incumbent Position; Judge of District Court, 86th District, Incumbent Position

Township Library Board Members — Leland Township and Leelanau Township

Village — President (Empire, Northport, & Suttons Bay Villages); Trustees (Empire, Northport, & Suttons Bay Villages)

Local School Board Members — Glen Lake Community Schools; Leland Public School; Northport Public School; Suttons Bay Public Schools; Traverse City Area Public Schools

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Notice of Election, Continued

The following Proposals will be on the November 5, 2024, Ballots

TOWNSHIP PROPOSALS

Leelanau Township

Renewal of Extra Voted Millage for Leelanau Township To Equip, Operate and Maintain Fire Protection and **Emergency Medical Services**

Shall the expired previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Leelanau Township of 3.55 mills (\$3.55 per \$1,000 of taxable value), 2020 through 2023 inclusive, and reduced by required millage rollback, be renewed at 3.10 mills (\$3.10 per \$1,000 of taxable value) to be levied for a period of four (4) years, 2024 through 2027 inclusive, for the purpose of equipping, operating and maintaining fire protection and emergency medical services including advance life support services, raising an estimated \$1,835,794.80 in the first year of such levy?

Leelanau Township

Renewal of Extra Voted Millage for Leelanau Township General Fund

Shall the expired previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Leelanau Township of 0.4884 mills (\$0.4884 per \$1,000 of taxable value), 2020 through 2023 inclusive, and reduced by required millage rollback, be renewed at 0.4828 mills (\$0.4828 per \$1,000 of taxable value) to be levied for a period of four (4) years, 2024 through 2027 inclusive, for the purpose of operating the Township's airport, cemeteries, parks and recreation, planning and zoning administration, or other such lawful general fund services, raising an estimated \$276,396 in the first year of such levy?

************ **CITY PROPOSALS**

City Proposal 1Proposed Amendment to Require Voter Approval Prior to Adoption, Approval, Creation, Modification, Amendment or Extension of a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Plan.

Shall Section 28 entitled "Limitations on the Power of the City Commission" of Chapter IV entitled "Legislation, Powers and Procedures" of the Charter of the City of Traverse City be amended by adding a paragraph to read that "We declare that tax increment financing ('TIF') plans shall be submitted to a vote of the people, since TIF plans divert local property tax revenue away from the general fund and basic city services such as police, fire, ambulance, streets and parks. Any proposal to create a TIF plan, or to modify, amend or extend an existing TIF plan, shall not be adopted or approved by the City or City Commission until after the proposal is submitted to and approved by a majority of the electors of the City at a regular election or at a checking hold for that purposa?" at a regular election or at a special election held for that purpose?

City Proposal 2

Proposed Amendment to Repeal and Void Any and All Ordinances of the City to Extend, Amend, and/or Modify Tax Increment Financing Plan #97 Enacted Without First Being Submitted to and Approved by a Majority of the Electors of the City Any Time After January 1, 2024.

Shall Section 28 of the Charter of the City of Traverse City be amended by adding a paragraph to read that "The City Commission shall not attempt to evade the petition rights and voting rights of City residents. Any and all ordinances of the City to extend, amend, and/or modify Tax Increment Financing and Development Plan #97 ("TIF97"), which ordinance or ordinances were enacted or are enacted at any time after January 1, 2024 without first being submitted to and approved by a majority of the electors of the City at a regular election or at a special election held for that purpose are repealed and such ordinance or ordinances shall be void and of no effect."?

************ **SCHOOL PROPOSALS**

Glen Lake Community Schools

Bond Proposal

Shall Glen Lake Community Schools, Leelanau and Benzie Counties, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Eight Million One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$8,175,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor for the purpose of:

heating, ventilating, and air conditioning improvements to and remodeling of a school building?

The following is for informational purposes only:

The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2025 is 0.48 mill (\$0.48 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation). The maximum number of years the bonds may be outstanding, exclusive of any refunding, is twenty (20) years. The estimated simple average annual millage anticipated to be required to retiré this bond debt is 0.41 mill (\$0.41 on each \$1,000 of tàxable valuation).

(Pursuant to State law, expenditure of bond proceeds must be audited and the proceeds cannot be used for repair or maintenance costs, teacher, administrator or employee salaries, or other operating expenses.)

Traverse City Area Public Schools

Operating Millage Renewal Proposal

This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of not to exceed 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance. The remaining 2.0616 mills are only available to be levied to restore millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the "Headlee" amendment to the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and will only be levied to the extent necessary to restore that reduction.

As a renewal of millage that will expire with the 2025 tax levy, shall the currently authorized millage rate limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Traverse City Area Public Schools, Grand Traverse, Leelanau and Benzie Counties, Michigan, be renewed at the current authorized level of 20.0616 mills (\$20.0616 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 10 years, 2026 to 2035, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and 18 mills are levied in 2026 is approximately \$57,302,865?

s/s Michelle L. Crocker **Leelanau County Clerk / Election Coordinator**