



**ENDORSEMENT OF “YES” VOTE ON PROPOSITION 1**

WHEREAS RESOLUTION NO. 2020-09 was enacted by the Board of Directors of Centralia School District No. 401, Lewis and Thurston Counties, Washington, providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the District at a special election to be held therein on August 4th, 2020, of the proposition of whether excess taxes should be levied of \$2.00 per \$1,000 of assessed value in 2020 for collection in 2021, and \$2.00 per \$1,000 in 2021 for collection in 2022, said excess taxes to pay part of the cost of educational programs and operations support of the District.

WHEREAS, Centralia School District No. 401, Lewis and Thurston Counties, Washington (the “District”), for the past four years has had in effect an educational programs operations levy in order to enable the District to pay for its educational programs and services, including teaching, school supplies, athletics, buildings and transportation; and

WHEREAS, the current educational programs and operations levies expire this year; and

WHEREAS, the money in and to be paid into the General Fund of the District during the 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 school years will be insufficient to enable the District to pay for necessary educational programs and operations and to properly meet the educational needs of the students attending District schools; and

WHEREAS, the existing authority for the imposition of local tax levies and use of local revenues (including the proceeds of tax levies) has been modified by Chapter 13, Laws of 2017 (65th Legislature, Third Special Session) and may be modified in the future by the State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, in the event the State Legislature increases education funding to the District, the District would, therefore, review annually and determine the need to roll back the levies;

THEREFORE, it is Resolved that the Thurston County Democrats hereby ENDORSES Proposition 1 and encourages electors in the above district to vote in favor of its passage on Election Day, August 4, 2020.

[Text of Proposition 1]

**PROPOSITION NO. 1**

**CENTRALIA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 401**

**REPLACEMENT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND OPERATIONS LEVY**

The Board of Directors adopted Resolution No. 2020-09 concerning educational funding. This proposition authorizes the District to levy the following excess taxes, to replace an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, to support the District’s educational programs and operations not funded by the state:

Collection Years	Approximate Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2021	\$2.00	\$5,300,000
2022	\$2.00	\$5,400,000

all as provided in the Resolution. Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

The Thurston County Democratic Central Committee passed this Resolution on July 13, 2020.