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CERTIFICATION OF PUBLIC QUESTION

**HANCOCK COUNTY CLERK
HANCOCK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

TO THE COUNTY CLERK OF THE COUNTY OF HANCOCK, ILLINOIS:

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Regional Superintendent of Schools for the Regional Office of Education serving the Educational Service Region including Hancock County, Illinois (the "County"), and as such official I do hereby certify and notify you as follows:

1. That on the 10 day of January, 2017, a resolution or resolutions of school district boards that represent more than 50% of the student enrollment within the County directing that the question of imposing a retailers' occupation tax and a service occupation tax at a rate of 1% to provide revenue to be used exclusively for school facility purposes (the "Proposition") has or have been filed in my office and deposited in the official files and records of my office.

2. That in accordance with Section 5-1006.7 of the Counties Code of the State of Illinois, as amended, I am required to certify the Proposition for submission at a regularly scheduled election in accordance with the general election law.

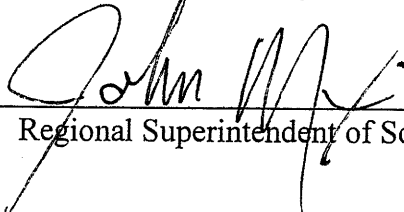
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| Shall a retailers' occupation tax and a service occupation tax (commonly referred to as a "sales tax") be imposed in The County of Hancock, Illinois, at a rate of 1% to be used exclusively for school facility purposes? | YES | |
| | NO | |

4. That you shall give notice of the Election (the "Notice") in accordance with the general election law by (i) publishing the Notice once in the Hancock County Journal Pilot being a newspaper of general circulation in the County, not more than 30 nor less than 10 days prior to the date of the Election, and (ii) posting a copy of the Notice at your principal office at least 10 days before the date of the Election.

5. That the Notice shall be in substantially the form attached to this Certification.

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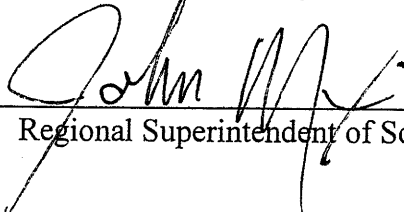
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