## BENTON COUNTY AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATION OF PERCENTAGES INCLUDED IN REFERENDUM QUESTION

To: Department of Local Government Finance ("DLGF"):

I, Audrey Freeland, am the Auditor of the Benton County, Indiana as of the date hereof. I have received a request on behalf of the governing body of the Tri-County School Corporation (the "School Corporation") to determine the percentages to be included in the form of the ballot question for a referendum pursuant to Indiana Code § 20-46-1-10.1.

I have referred to the Memoranda by the DLGF dated as of May 27, 2021, as supplemented on July 27, 2021 (the "DLGF Memo") regarding the Legislative Changes to Property Tax Referenda and Property Tax Referendum Calculations.

The majority of the School Corporation's assessed valuation is located within White County. The School Corporation is also located in Benton County and Jasper County. Based on the DLGF Memo, I have coordinated with the Auditors of White County and Jasper County and relied on information provided by such Auditors in regard to homesteads and businesses located within the School Corporation in White County and Jasper County in making the calculations below.

I have used the maximum tax rate provided by the School Corporation of \$0.2737.

I have determined that the following percentages should be included in the form of the question provided by the School Corporation:

- A. Original estimated average percentage of property tax increase on a residence of 47.22%, and
- B. Original estimated average percentage of property tax increase on a business of 44.66%.

As requested by the DLGF, I have attached to this certification my data and worksheets used for purposes of the calculations.

Dated: February 1, 2023

BENTON COUNTY AUDITOR

Audrey Freeland

Patrick Culp, Superintendent, Tri-County School Corporation

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