NOTICE OF ELECTION OSCODA COUNTY, MICHIGAN TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2024, STATE PRIMARY ELECTION

To the Qualified Electors of Oscoda County

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE all Oscoda County qualified electors have the right to mark a ballot and deposit the ballot in the Oscoda County Early Voting Center tabulator beginning Saturday, July 27, 2024 and ending the Sunday August 4, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Oscoda County Early Voting Center is located at Big Creek Township Hall, 1175 W Ryno Rd, Luzerne, MI 48636 and is open to all qualified electors of all Townships within Oscoda County.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Primary Election will be held in all precincts in Oscoda County, Michigan on Tuesday, August 6, 2024. The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the following polling locations:

Big Creek Township, Precinct #1 and #2, Big Creek Township Hall, 1175 W. Ryno Rd, Luzerne, MI. 48636

Clinton Township, Clinton Township Hall, 4232 Abbe Road, Comins, Mi. 48619

Elmer Township, Elmer Township Hall, 683 W. Kittle Road, Mio, Ml. 48647

Mentor Township, Mentor Township Hall, 216 E 10th Street, Mio, MI 48647 **Comins Township,** Comins Township Hall, 1651 Abbe Rd, Fairview, MI 48621

Greenwood Township, Greenwood Township Hall, 4030 Williams Road, Lewiston, MI 49756

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the following candidates will appear on the ballot:

US Senator

1st District Representative in Congress 105th District State Representative 106th District State Representative

OSCODA COUNTY

Judge of Probate Court

Prosecuting Attorney

County Commissioner – Districts 1 – 4

Sheriff

Clerk/Register of Deeds

Treasurer

Road Commissioner

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the following proposals will appear on the ballot:

BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP FIRE MILLAGE PROPOSAL

ALL TOWNSHIPS

Supervisor

Treasurer

Trustee

Delegate

Clerk

Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Big Creek Township, Oscoda County be renewed at 1 mill (\$1.00 per \$1000 of taxable value) for 6 years, 2025 through 2030 inclusive, for Fire Protection and shall the Township levy such renewal in millage for said purpose thereby, raising in the first year an estimated \$157,866?

MENTOR TOWNSHIP FIRE PROTECTION MILLAGE PROPOSAL

Shall Mentor Township, Oscoda County, Michigan impose an increase of up to 1.25 mills (\$1.25 per \$1,000 of taxable value) in the tax limitation on the total amount of taxes that may be levied against all taxable property imposed by Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution and levy it for four (4) years, beginning 2024 through 2028 inclusive, on all taxable property within Mentor Township, Oscoda County, Michigan for the purpose of providing fire protection services in Mentor Township, Oscoda County, Michigan, which \$1.25 mills increase will raise an estimated \$77,871 in the first year the millage is levied? If approved this would be a new millage.

OSCODA COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING MILLAGE PROPOSAL

Shall the limitation upon the total amount of general ad valorem taxes imposed upon real and tangible personal property for all purposes in any one year under the Michigan Constitution be increased in the County of Oscoda, Michigan by 1.0 mills (which is equal to \$1.00 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value of all such property) for a period of four (4) years, 2024 through 2027 inclusive, for the purpose of paying operational costs, improvement, acquiring, construction, extending, altering, repairing or equipment to the building owned and operated by the Oscoda County Council on Aging. The amount of revenue the County will collect if the millage is approved and levied by the county in the first year is estimated to be \$509,526. The proposed millage is a renewal of a previously authorized millage, the revenue from which would be distributed by the County of Oscoda.

THE OSCODA COUNTY DRUG ENFORCEMENT OPERATING MILLAGE PROPOSAL

This millage represents a renewal of previous authorization to levy 0.25 mills that expires with the 2023 levy, and authorizes the use of the millage for additional educational programs within our local schools.

Shall the limitation upon the total amount of general ad valorem taxes imposed upon taxable property in any one year under the Michigan Constitution be increased in the County of Oscoda, Michigan by 0.25 mills (which is equal to \$0.25 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value of all such property) for a period of four (4) years, 2024 through 2027, inclusive, for all law enforcement purposes authorized by law, but not limited to, paying costs of enhancing law enforcement efforts, preserving and protecting the safety of the citizens of Oscoda County, implementing safety and other educational programs into our local schools (Mio AuSable and Fairview) funding the drug interdiction program known as the Strike Team Investigative Narcotics Group (STING) and/or other drug enforcement programs and awareness programs in the County. The amount of revenue the County will collect if the millage is approved and levied by the county in the first year is estimated to be \$127,381.50. The proposed millage is a new additional millage, the revenue from which would be disbursed to the County of Oscoda.

THE OSCODA COUNTY SHERIFF OPERATING MILLAGE PROPOSAL

This millage represents authorization to levy 1.33 mills for four years, 2024-2027, for costs of operating the Oscoda County Sheriff's Department, replacing previous authorization of 1.00 mills for such operating expenses, which expires with the 2023 levy.

Shall the limitation upon the total amount of general ad valorem taxes imposed upon taxable property in any one year under the Michigan Constitution be increased in the County of Oscoda, Michigan by 1.33 mills (which is equal to \$1.33 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value of all such property) for a period of four years, 2024 through 2027, inclusive, for the purpose of paying costs of operating the Oscoda County Sheriff's Department. The amount of revenue the County will collect if the millage is approved and levied by the county in the first year is estimated to be \$677,669.56. The proposed millage is a new additional millage, the revenue from which would be disbursed to the County of Oscoda.

WEST BRANCH-ROSE CITY AREA 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 and renews millage that will expire with the 2024 tax levy.

Shall the currently authorized millage rate limitation of 17.9532 mills (\$17.9532 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in West Branch-Rose City Area Schools, Ogemaw, Gladwin and Oscoda Counties, Michigan, be renewed for a period of 10 years, 2025 to 2034, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2025 is approximately \$7,496,479 (this is a renewal of millage that will expire with the 2024 tax levy)?

All electors who are registered with the township clerk in which they reside are eligible to vote at this election. To comply with the Help America, Vote Act (HAVA), voting instructions will be available on audio tape and in Braille. Arrangements for obtaining the instructions in these alternative formats can be made by contacting the township clerk in advance of the election. All polling locations are accessible for voters with disabilities.

Absentee ballots are available for all elections; registered voters may contact the local clerk to obtain an application for an absent voter ballot.

Ann Galbraith
Oscoda County Clerk/Register of Deeds