

RESOLUTION providing for and requiring the submission of the proposition of increasing the limiting rate for School District Number 128, Cook County, Illinois, to the voters of said School District at the general election to be held on the 3rd day of November, 2026.

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WHEREAS, School District Number 128, Cook County, Illinois (the “*District*”), is subject to the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law of the State of Illinois, as amended (“*PTELL*”); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the District (the “*School Board*”) does hereby find and determine that the limiting rate for the District under PTELL is not sufficient to provide funds to pay the cost of providing an efficient and adequate program to meet the educational needs of the District; and

WHEREAS, the most recent levy year for which the limiting rate of the District is known is 2024; and

WHEREAS, the limiting rate for the District for levy year 2024 was 2.505955% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein; and

WHEREAS, it is hereby found and determined by the School Board that the need exists for increasing the limiting rate for the District by an additional amount equal to 0.590000% above the limiting rate for levy year 2024 for the purpose of providing educational programming and instruction and operating, maintaining and improving school buildings and facilities and for other school purposes and establishing the same at 3.095955% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein for levy year 2026; and

WHEREAS, before the District is authorized to increase its limiting rate to 3.095955%, a proposition therefor (the “*Proposition*”) must be submitted to the voters of the District as

provided by PTELL, and be approved by a majority of the voters of the District voting on the Proposition at an election to be held in and for the District; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed advisable, necessary and in the best interests of the District that the Proposition be submitted to the voters of the District at an election to be held and conducted in accordance with the general election law; and

WHEREAS, PTELL requires that the ballot for the Proposition shall have printed thereon, but not as a part of the Proposition, certain supplemental information as set forth and described in PTELL; and

WHEREAS, such supplemental information shall be supplied by the District to the election authority; and

WHEREAS, the School Board has reviewed and approved the supplemental information appearing on the form of ballot for the Proposition hereinafter set forth in this Resolution:

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It and It Is Hereby Resolved by the Board of Education of School District Number 128, Cook County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. Incorporation of Preambles. The School Board hereby finds that all of the recitals contained in the preambles to this Resolution are full, true and correct and does incorporate them into this Resolution by this reference.

Section 2. Need to Submit to Voters. It is advisable, necessary and in the best interests of the District that the limiting rate for the District be increased by an additional amount equal to 0.590000% above the limiting rate for levy year 2024 and be established at 3.095955% of the equalized assessed valuation of the taxable property therein for levy year 2026.

Section 3. Submission to Voters. The Proposition shall be submitted to the voters of the District in accordance with the general election law at the general election to be held on

Tuesday, the 3rd day of November, 2026, between the hours of 6:00 o'clock A.M. and 7:00 o'clock P.M. on said day (the "*Election*").

Section 4. Voting Precincts and Polling Places. The Election shall be held in the voting precincts and at the polling places established by the County Board (the "*County Board*") of The County of Cook, Illinois (the "*County*"), for voters of the District at the Election.

Section 5. Election Notice. The County Clerk of the County (the "*County Clerk*") shall give notice of the Election, including the Spanish, Chinese and Asian Indian translations thereof as deemed by the County Clerk to be required by law (the "*Notice*"), in accordance with the general election law by (i) publishing the Notice once not more than 60 nor less than 10 days prior to the date of the Election in a local, community newspaper having general circulation in the District, and (ii) posting a copy of the Notice at least 10 days before the date of the Election at the principal office of the County Clerk.

Section 6. Local Notice. The Secretary of the School Board shall post a copy of the Notice at least 10 days before the date of the Election at the principal office of the District.

Section 7. Newspaper of General Circulation. It is hereby found and determined that the *Daily Southtown* is a local, community newspaper having general circulation in the District as required by Section 125 of the Election Code of the State of Illinois, as amended (the "*Election Code*").

Section 8. Form of Notice. The Notice shall appear over the name or title of the County Clerk and shall be substantially in the following form:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the general election to be held on Tuesday, the 3rd day of November, 2026, the following proposition will be submitted to the voters of Palos Heights School District Number 128, Cook County, Illinois:

Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Palos Heights School District Number 128, Cook County, Illinois, be increased by an additional amount equal to 0.590000% above the limiting rate for levy year 2024 for the purpose of providing educational programming and instruction and operating, maintaining and improving school buildings and facilities and for other school purposes, and be equal to 3.095955% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein for levy year 2026?

- (1) The approximate amount of taxes extendable at the most recently extended limiting rate is \$10,018,587, and the approximate amount of taxes extendable if the proposition is approved is \$12,377,355.
- (2) For the 2026 levy year the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against property containing a single family residence and having a fair market value at the time of the referendum of \$100,000 is estimated to be \$179.
- (3) If the proposition is approved, the aggregate extension for 2026 will be determined by the limiting rate set forth in the proposition, rather than the otherwise applicable limiting rate calculated under the provisions of the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (commonly known as the Property Tax Cap Law).

The polls at the election will be open at 6:00 o'clock A.M. and will continue to be open until 7:00 o'clock P.M. of that day.

Dated this ____ day of _____, 2026.

Monica Gordon
County Clerk, The County of Cook, Illinois

Section 9. Form of Ballot. The ballot to be used at the Election, including the Spanish, Chinese and Asian Indian translations thereof as deemed by the County Clerk to be required by law, shall be in substantially the following form, with such necessary alterations, changes, deletions and insertions as may be required by Articles 24A, 24B or 24C of the Election Code if an electronic, mechanical or electric voting system is used at the Election:

(Face of Ballot)

OFFICIAL BALLOT

PROPOSITION TO INCREASE THE LIMITING RATE

(INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: Mark a cross (X) in the space opposite the word indicating the way you desire to vote.)

Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Palos Heights School District Number 128, Cook County, Illinois, be increased by an additional amount equal to 0.590000% above the limiting rate for levy year 2024 for the purpose of providing educational programming and instruction and operating, maintaining and improving school buildings and facilities and for other school purposes, and be equal to 3.095955% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein for levy year 2026?	YES	
	NO	

- (1) The approximate amount of taxes extendable at the most recently extended limiting rate is \$10,018,587, and the approximate amount of taxes extendable if the proposition is approved is \$12,377,355.
- (2) For the 2026 levy year the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against property containing a single family residence and having a fair market value at the time of the referendum of \$100,000 is estimated to be \$179.
- (3) If the proposition is approved, the aggregate extension for 2026 will be determined by the limiting rate set forth in the proposition, rather than the otherwise applicable limiting rate calculated under the provisions of the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (commonly known as the Property Tax Cap Law).

(Back of Paper Ballot)

OFFICIAL BALLOT

Official ballot for voting on the proposition to increase the limiting rate for Palos Heights School District Number 128, Cook County, Illinois, at the general election held on November 3, 2026.

Precinct Number: _____

Polling Place: _____

(Facsimile Signature)

County Clerk, The County of Cook, Illinois

Section 10. Election Judges. The Election shall be conducted by the election judges appointed by the County Board to act in the precincts at which the Proposition will be submitted to the voters of the District.

Section 11. Filing of Resolution. After the adoption hereof and not less than 68 days prior to the date of the Election, the Secretary of the School Board shall certify a copy hereof to the County Clerk in order that the Proposition may be submitted to the voters of the District at the Election.

Section 12. Canvass of Election. The Election shall be held and conducted and the returns thereof duly canvassed, all in the manner and time as provided by the general election law.

Section 13. Severability. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Resolution shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution.

Section 14. Repealer and Effective Date. All resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed, and that this Resolution be in full force and effect forthwith upon its adoption.

Adopted August 12, 2026.

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education