WARRANT TO CALL SEBAGO SCHOOL DEPARTMENT BUDGET MEETING (20-A M.R.S.A. § 1485)

SEBAGO SCHOOL DEPARTMENT 283 Sebago Road Sebago, Maine 04029

To: <u>Bobbie-Jo Wadsworth</u>, a resident of the Town of Sebago in the County of Cumberland and the State of Maine.

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Sebago, that a School Budget Meeting will be held at Sebago Town Hall. The meeting will be at 6:00 p.m. on May 31, 2022 for the purpose of determining the budget articles set forth below.

ARTICLE 1: To elect a moderator to preside at the meeting.

ARTICLES 2 THROUGH 12 AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURES IN COST CENTER CATEGORIES

ARTICLE 2: Regular Instruction: To see what sum the Sebago School Department will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction Programs for the 2022-23 fiscal year.

The Sebago School Committee recommends \$ 1,940,678.

ARTICLE 3: Special Education: To see what sum the Sebago School Department will be authorized to expend for Special Education Instruction.

The Sebago School Committee recommends \$ 998,015.

ARTICLE 4: Career and Technical Education: To see what sum the Sebago School Department will be authorized to expend for Career and Technical Education.

The Sebago School Committee recommends \$0.

ARTICLE 5: Other Instruction: To see what sum the Sebago School Department will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction.

The Sebago School Committee recommends \$1,000.

ARTICLE 6: Student and Staff Support: To see what sum the Sebago School Department will be authorized to expend for Student and Staff Support.

The Sebago School Committee recommends \$133,356.

ARTICLE 7: System Administration: To see what sum the Sebago School Department will be authorized to expend for System Administration.

The Sebago School Committee recommends \$171,418.

ARTICLE 8: School Administration: To see what sum the Sebago School Department will be authorized to expend for School Administration.

The Sebago School Committee recommends \$203,580.

ARTICLE 9: <u>Transportation and Buses</u>: To see what sum the Sebago School Department will be authorized to expend for Transportation and Buses.

The Sebago School Committee recommends \$131,817.

ARTICLE 10: Facilities and Maintenance: To see what sum the Sebago School Department will be authorized to expend for Facilities and Maintenance.

The Sebago School Committee recommends \$281,105.

ARTICLE 11: <u>Debt Service and Other Commitments</u>: To see what sum the Sebago School Department will be authorized to expend for Debt Service and Other Commitments.

The Sebago School Committee recommends \$135,000.

ARTICLE 12: All Other Expenditures: To see what sum the Sebago School Department will be authorized to expend for All Other Expenditures.

The Sebago School Committee recommends \$50,000.

ARTICLES 13 THROUGH 15 RAISE FUNDS FOR THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

ARTICLE 13: State/Local EPS Funding Allocation: To see what sum the Town of Sebago will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and to see what sum the Town will raise as the municipality's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688.

The Sebago School Committee recommends raising \$2,252,839 and appropriating \$2,758,429.

Explanation: The Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from prekindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act is the amount of money determined by state law to be the minimum amount that the Town must raise and assess in order to receive the full amount of state dollars.

The difference between the amounts raised and appropriated (\$505,590) is the state's contribution to funding Essential Programs and Services.

ARTICLE 14: Non-State Funded Debt Service: To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the Town for non-state-funded school construction projects, or non-state-funded portions of school construction projects in addition to the funds appropriated as the local share of the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12.

The Sebago School Committee recommends raising and appropriating \$ 0

Explanation: Non-state-funded debt service is the amount of money needed for the annual payments of the Sebago School Department's long-term debt for major capital school construction projects and minor capital renovation projects that are not approved for state subsidy. The bonding for this long-term debt was previously approved by the Sebago School Department voters.

ARTICLE 15: (Written Ballot Required) <u>Additional Local Funds</u>: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$1,277,540 in additional local funds, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by \$1,227,540 as required to fund the budget recommended by the Sebago School Committee.

The Sebago School Committee recommends \$1,277,540 for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by \$1,227,540: debt service payments, further Pre-K developments, substantial increase anticipated for Special Ed and outsourced transportation costs, increase in deferred facilities repair and maintenance.

Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised over and above the Sebago School Department's local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and local amounts raised for the annual payment of non-state-funded debt service that will help achieve the Sebago School Department budget for educational programs.

ARTICLE 16 SUMMARIZES THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

ARTICLE 16: Total School Budget Summary: To see what sum the Town will authorize the Board of Directors to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023 from the Sebago School Department's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy, and other receipts for the support of schools.

The Sebago School Committee recommends \$4,045,969.

ARTICLES 17 THROUGH 20 PROVIDE ADDITIONAL AUTHORIZATIONS

ARTICLE 17: Expenditures of Grants and Other Receipts: Shall the Sebago School Committee be authorized to expend such other sums as may be received from federal or state grants or programs or other sources during the fiscal year for school purposes provided that such grants, programs, and other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated?

The Sebago School Committee recommends a "YES" vote.

ARTICLE 18: Use of Additional State Subsidy: In the event that the Town of Sebago receives more state education subsidy than the amount included in its 2022-2023 budget, shall the Town authorize the School Committee to use the additional subsidy amount and expend beyond the amounts approved for expenditure in the preceding articles?

The Sebago School Committee recommends a "YES" vote.

ARTICLE 19: Cost Center Budget Transfers: Shall the Town authorize the School Committee to transfer amounts exceeding 5% of the total appropriation for any cost center to another cost center or among other cost centers for the 2022-2023 fiscal year?

The Sebago School Committee recommends a "YES" vote.

ARTICLE 20: Capital Improvement Reserve: Shall the Town authorize the School Committee to establish and appropriate up to \$100,000 from the unassigned fund balance at 2021-2022 fiscal year-end to a non-lapsing Capital Improvement Reserve, and to authorize the School Committee to expend the reserve's funds, as it deems appropriate, for its designated purpose during the fiscal year?

Explanation: The Capital Improvement Reserve is intended to set aside funds for future expenditure on capital improvements and acquisitions. Examples of such costs include, but are not limited to, building improvements, building and equipment repairs and maintenance, equipment purchases, etc. The unexpended balance of the reserve shall not lapse to the unassigned fund balance at the end of the fiscal year. Approval of this Article does not affect the amount of taxes being levied.

The Sebago School Committee recommends a "YES" vote.

Given under our hand this day, May 3, 2022, at Sebago, Maine.

A majority of the Selectmen of the Town of Sebago.

A true copy of the Warrant, attest:

Maureen F. Scanlon

Town Clerk, Town of Sebago