## NOTICE OF SPECIAL DISTRICT MEETING OF THE FLORIDA PUBLIC LIBRARY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Board of Trustees of the Florida Public Library, Orange County, New York, to the qualified voters of the Florida Union Free School District (the "School District"), of a special district meeting (the "Special District Meeting") be to held at the Florida Public Library, 4 Cohen Circle, Florida, New York on the 16th day of April, 2020, beginning at 9:00 AM, prevailing time, to vote upon the following two propositions: (1) the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures for library purposes for fiscal year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021, as proposed by the Board of Trustees of the Florida Public Library, and hereinafter set forth (the "Library Tax Levy"); and (2) the election of two (2) persons to serve as trustees on the Board of Trustees of Florida Public Library (the "Election of Library Trustees"). Polls for the purpose of voting will be kept open between the hours of 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM prevailing time, or for so long thereafter as necessary to enable qualified voters who are in the polling place at or before 9:00 PM to cast their votes.

## **PROPOSITION 1: LIBRARY TAX LEVY**

For the fiscal year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021, the Board of Education of the Florida Union Free School District, Orange County, New York, shall be authorized to levy taxes on the taxable real property of said School District for the Florida Public Library, in the amount of \$486,058 in order to fund the library's annual operating budget.

A copy of the July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021 budget proposed by the Board of Trustees of the Florida Public Library will be available at the Florida Public Library, 4 Cohen Circle, Florida, New York, for a period of fourteen (14) days prior to said Special District Meeting.

An informational meeting of the qualified voters of the School District will be held at the Florida Public Library, 4 Cohen Circle, Florida, New York, on the 2nd day of March, 2020, at 7:30 PM prevailing time, concerning the Library Tax Levy Proposition to be submitted at the aforesaid Special District Meeting.

## **PROPOSITION 2: ELECTION OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

Pursuant to § 260 of the Education Law, two (2) library trustees shall be elected, each for a term of three (3) years, all terms commencing on July 1, 2020.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a petition shall be required to nominate such candidates to the office of Library Trustee. Petitions will be available at the Florida Public Library beginning March 4, 2020, at 10:00 AM. Each petition shall be directed to the Clerk of the Florida Public Library, shall be signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters of the School District, shall state the residence of each signer, and shall state the name and residence of the candidate. In the event that such nominee shall withdraw his candidacy prior to the election, such nominee shall not be considered a candidate unless a new petition nominating such person in the same manner

and with the same limitations applicable to other candidates is filed with the Clerk of the Florida Public Library. Each petition shall be filed during regular business hours, not later than 5:00 PM Friday, March 20, 2020. Petition forms may be obtained and signed petitions returned to the Clerk of the Florida Public Library, during regular business hours.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that pursuant to § 2014 of the Education Law, personal registration of voters is required, and no person shall be entitled to vote at said Special District Meeting whose name does not appear on the register of the Florida Union Free School District, except a person who is otherwise qualified to vote and is registered under Article V of the Election Law. The Board of Registration shall prepare a register for said Special District Meeting, except that the register prepared for the last Annual Meeting or Election shall be used as the basis therefore and shall include all persons who shall have presented themselves personally for registration thereat, and also, all persons who shall have been previously registered hereunder for any annual or special district meeting or election and who shall have voted at any annual or special district meeting or election held or conducted at any time within four (4) years prior to the preparation of said year registered.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the register prepared pursuant to § 2014 of the Education Law shall be filed in the office of the School District Clerk, 51 North Main Street, Florida, New York, and will be open for inspection by any qualified voter in the School District on each of the five (5) days prior to and the date set for the Special District Meeting (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and school holidays) between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM, prevailing time.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that applications for absentee ballots may be obtained at the Florida Public Library. Any such application must be received by the Florida Public Library at least seven (7) days before the date of the aforesaid Special District Meeting, if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election, if the ballot is to be obtained personally by the voter. Absentee ballots must be received by the Clerk of the Florida Public Library by no later than 5:00 PM, prevailing time, on April 16, 2020.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that a list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Florida Public Library not less than five (5) days prior to the day of the Special District Meeting (excluding Saturdays and Sundays) during regular office hours until the date of the aforesaid Special District Meeting. In addition, said lists shall also be posted conspicuously at the place of the voting during the hours of such Special District Meeting.

Dated: Florida, New York February 3, 2020

> By Order of the Trustees of the Florida Public Library, Florida, New York

By:

Cecelia Lillard, President 3/4, 3/18, 4/1, 4/15