

**CHELAN COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT NO. 8**

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**RESOLUTION No. 2024-1**

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**A RESOLUTION** of the Board of Fire Commissioners (the "Board") of Chelan County Fire Protection District No. 8, (the "District") providing for the submission to the voters of the District at a special election to be held therein on November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, a proposition authorizing a regular property tax levy of \$0.95 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for 2024 and thereafter subject to any otherwise applicable statutory dollar rate limitations, all as more particularly set forth herein.

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Fire Commissioners of Chelan County Fire Protection District No. 8, has determined that it appears certain money available for the Expense Fund for the calendar year 2024 would be insufficient to permit the District to meet the expenses of operation, services, and maintenance essential and necessary for the protection of the public health, life, and property of its residents during such calendar year, and that it is necessary that the regular property tax levy of the District be set at \$0.95 per \$1,000, such levy to be made in 2024 for collection in 2025, and in succeeding years, on all taxable property within the District (such assessed value representing 100% of true and fair value unless specifically provided otherwise by law), in order for the Expense Fund of the District to be able to provide sufficient funds to meet those expenses; and

**WHEREAS**, the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington require that the question of whether such taxes may be levied must be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for their ratification or rejection.

**NOW, THEREFORE,**

**Section 1.** The Auditor of Chelan County, Washington, as *ex officio* Supervisor of Elections (the "Auditor"), is requested to find and declare the existence of an emergency. The Auditor further is requested to call and conduct a special election in the District, in the manner provided by laws, to be held herein on November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, in conjunction with the State general election, for the purpose of submitting to the voters of the District, for their approval or rejection, a proposition of whether the regular property tax levy of the District shall be set at and maintained at \$0.95 per \$1,000 of assessed value; such levy to be made in 2024 for collection in 2025, and in succeeding years, on all the taxable property within the District (such assessed value representing 100% of true and fair value unless specifically provided otherwise by law), subject to other wise applicable statutory limitations; and for the dollar amount of such levies to be used for the purpose of computing the limitations for subsequent levies under RCW 84.55.050.

**Section 2.** Pursuant to RCW 29A.36.071, as amended, the Chelan County Prosecuting Attorney is requested to prepare the concise description of the aforesaid proposition for the ballot title in substantially the following form

**FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 8  
CHELAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
PROPOSITION NO. 1**

**AUTHORIZING REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR CAPITAL REPLACEMENT  
AND VOLUNTEER SERVICES**

The Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire Protection District No. 8, Chelan County, Washington, adopted Resolution No. 2024-1 concerning a proposition to continue funding the replacement of CAPITAL EQUIPMENT and the support of VOLUNTEER SERVICES. Under this proposition, a property tax levy of \$0.95 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation would go into effect in 2025. The dollar amount of this 2024 levy would be used for the purpose of computing the limitations for subsequent levies under RCW 84.55.050. Should this proposal be approved?

LEVY	YES	( )
LEVY	NO	( )

**Section 3.** The Secretary of the District is directed (a) to certify to the Auditor a copy of this Resolution No. 2024-1 showing its adoption by the Board at least 84 days prior to the date of such election; and (b) to perform such other duties as are necessary and required by law in submitting to the voters of the District at the aforesaid election the proposition of whether such excess tax levy shall be made.

ADOPTED by the Board of Fire Commissioners of Chelan County Fire Protection District No. 8, at an open public meeting thereof this 9<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2024, of which notice was given in the manner provided by law, the following Commissioners being present and voting.

Chelan County

Fire Protection District No. 8

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Randy Whitehall  
Fire Commissioner

7/9/24

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Jay Batchelor  
Fire Commissioner

9/8/24

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Stacey Barker  
Fire Commissioner

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Misty Fifield, District Secretary  
Board of Fire Commissioners

**CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, Secretary of Chelan County Fire Protection District No. 8, (the "District"), hereby certify as follows:

1. The attached copy of Resolution No. 2024-1 (the "Resolution") is a full, true, and correct copy of the Resolution duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the District (the "Board") held on July 9, 2024, as the Resolution appears in the minutes of the District and the Resolution is now in full force and effect.
2. The regular meeting was held in accordance with law.
3. A quorum of the members of the Board was present throughout the meeting and a majority of those members present voted in the proper manner for the adoption of the Resolution.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand this 9<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2024.



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District Secretary  
Board of Fire Commissioners

## **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT – PROPOSITION NO. 1**

If approved by the voters, the proposition will authorize the District to levy regular real property taxes at a rate of \$0.95 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation in 2024. The levy rate for taxes collected in 2024 is \$0.569 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation.

In 2009, voters approved a 15 year capital project levy, collection of which will cease at the end of 2024. The authorization for the District to collect a \$0.95 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation will enable the District to implement a Capital Replacement Schedule for equipment (Fire Engines, Protective Clothing, Breathing Apparatus, and Radios) as well as support our volunteer services. The funds from the 2009 bond were used to construct a new fire station in Entiat. The average age of the District's fire apparatus is now 40 years.

This measure seeks to continue funding for the District's capital assets by approving the \$0.95 change in the regular levy. For a \$200,000 assessed valuation residence this \$0.95 would equal \$190.00 per year or \$15.83 per month.