# PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED AUGUST 5, 2025

# NEW AND RENEWAL ISSUES RATINGS: See "RATINGS" herein SERIAL BONDS, BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES AND TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES

In the opinion of Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP, Bond Counsel to the District, under existing statutes and court decisions and assuming continuing compliance with certain tax certifications described herein, (i) interest on the Bonds and the Notes is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and (ii) interest on the Bonds and the Notes is not treated as a preference item in calculating the alternative minimum tax under the Code, however, interest on the Bonds and the Notes is included in the "adjusted financial statement income" of certain corporations that are subject to the alternative minimum tax under Section 55 of the Code. In addition, in the opinion of Bond Counsel to the District, under existing statutes, interest on the Bonds and the Notes is exempt from personal income taxes of New York State and its political subdivisions, including The City of New York. (See "TAX MATTERS" herein.)

The District WILL NOT designate the Bonds or the Notes as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" pursuant to the provisions of Section 265(b)(3)(B) of the Code.

# MANHASSET UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NASSAU COUNTY, NEW YORK

\$12,000,000\*
SCHOOL DISTRICT SERIAL BONDS – 2025
(the "Bonds")

Date of Issue: Date of Delivery

Maturity Dates: April 1, 2026 – 2040

\$31,751,484 BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES – 2025 (the "BANs")

Date of Issue: August 28, 2025 Maturity Dates: August 28, 2026

\$11,000,000\*
TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES FOR 2025-2026 TAXES
(the "TANs" and together with the BANs, the "Notes")

Date of Issue: August 28, 2025 Maturity Dates: June 25, 2026

The Bonds and the BANs are general obligations of the Manhasset Union Free School District, Nassau County, New York (the "District"), and will contain a pledge of the faith and credit of the District for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds and the BANs, unless paid from other sources, the Bonds and the BANs are payable from ad valorem taxes which may be levied upon all the taxable real property within the District without limitation as to rate or amount. (See "Nature of the Obligation," herein).

The TANs are general obligations of the District, and will contain a pledge of the faith and credit of the District for the payment of the principal of and interest on the TANs and, unless paid from other sources, the TANs are payable from ad valorem taxes which may be levied upon all the taxable real property within the District, subject to certain statutory limitations. (See "The Tax Levy Limit Law" herein.)

The Bonds will be dated the date of delivery and will bear interest from that date until maturity at the annual rate or rates as specified by the purchaser of the Bonds, payable on April 1, 2026, October 1, 2026 and semiannually thereafter on April 1 and October 1 in each year until maturity. The Bonds shall mature on April 1 in the years and amounts as set forth on the inside cover page hereof. The Bonds will be subject to optional redemption prior to maturity as described herein. (See "Optional Redemption" herein.)

The Notes are dated their Date of Issue and bear interest from such dates until their respective Maturity Dates, at the annual rate(s) as specified by the respective purchaser(s) of each of the Notes. The Notes will not be subject to redemption prior to maturity.

The Notes will be issued in registered form and, at the option of the purchaser(s), the Notes will be (i) registered in the name of the successful bidder(s) or (ii) registered to Cede & Co., as the partnership nominee for The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") as book-entry notes.

If the Notes are registered in the name of the successful bidder, a single note certificate will be issued for those Notes of an issue bearing the same rate of interest in the aggregate principal amount awarded to such purchaser at such interest rate. Principal of and interest on such Notes will be payable in Federal Funds by the District, at such bank or trust company located and authorized to do business in the State of New York as selected by the successful bidder.

If the Notes are issued in book-entry form, such Notes will be delivered to DTC, which will act as securities depository for the Notes. The Bonds will be issued as fully registered bonds and, when issued, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC. DTC will act as the securities depository for the Bonds and such Notes issued in book-entry form. Individual purchases may be made in book-entry form only, in principal amounts of \$5,000 or integral multiples thereof, except for one necessary odd denomination in the BANs. Purchasers will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in the Bonds and the Notes issued in book-entry form. Payment of the principal of and interest on such Bonds and Notes will be made by the District to DTC, which will in turn remit such principal and interest to its participants for subsequent disbursement to the beneficial owners of such Bonds and Notes as described herein. (See "DESCRIPTION OF BOOK-ENTRY SYSTEM" herein.)

The Bonds and Notes are offered when, as and if issued and received by the purchaser(s) and subject to the receipt of the respective final approving opinions of Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP, New York, New York, Bond Counsel, and certain other conditions. It is anticipated that delivery of the Bonds and the Notes will be made on or about August 28, 2025, through the offices of DTC, or such place agreed to by the purchaser(s) and the District.

THIS PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT IS IN A FORM "DEEMED FINAL" BY THE DISTRICT FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION RULE 15C2-12 (THE "RULE"). FOR A DESCRIPTION OF THE DISTRICT'S AGREEMENTS TO PROVIDE CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AS DESCRIBED IN THE RULE, SEE "DISCLOSURE UNDERTAKINGS," HEREIN.

DATED: August \_\_\_, 2025

<sup>\*</sup> Preliminary subject to change.

The Bonds will mature on April 1st, in the years and amounts as set forth below:

		Interest		CUSIP
Year	Amount (1)	Rate	Yield	Number (2)
2026	\$ 635,000			
2027	655,000			
2028	675,000			
2029	695,000			
2030	715,000			
2031	735,000			
2032	760,000			
2033	780,000			
2034*	810,000			
2035*	840,000			
2036*	870,000			
2037*	900,000			
2038*	940,000			
2039*	975,000			
2040*	1,015,000			

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# MANHASSET UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NASSAU COUNTY, NEW YORK

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#### OFFICIAL STATEMENT

# MANHASSET UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NASSAU COUNTY, NEW YORK

relating to

\$12,000,000\* SCHOOL DISTRICT SERIAL BONDS – 2025

and

\$31,751,484 BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES – 2025

and

# \$11,000,000\* TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES FOR 2025-2026 TAXES

This Official Statement, which includes the cover page, inside cover page and appendices hereto, presents certain information relating to the Manhasset Union Free School District, in Nassau County, in the State of New York (the "District," "County," and "State," respectively), in connection with the sale of \$12,000,000\* School District Serial Bonds – 2025 (the "Bonds"), \$31,751,484 Bond Anticipation Notes (the "BANs") and \$11,000,000\* Tax Anticipation Notes for 2025-2026 Taxes (the "TANs" and together with the BANs, the "Notes").

All quotations from and summaries and explanations of provisions of the Constitution and laws of the State and acts and proceedings of the District contained herein do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to the official compilations thereof. All references to the Bonds and the Notes and the proceedings of the District relating thereto are qualified in their entirety by reference to the definitive form of the Bonds and the Notes and such proceedings.

# THE BONDS AND THE NOTES

#### Description of the Bonds

The Bonds will be dated the date of delivery and will bear interest from that date until maturity at the annual rate or rates as specified by the purchaser of the Bonds, payable on April 1, 2026, October 1, 2026 and semiannually thereafter on April 1 and October 1 in each year until maturity. The Bonds shall mature on April 1 in the years and amounts as set forth on the inside cover page hereof. The Bonds will be subject to optional redemption prior to maturity as described herein.

The Bonds will be issued in fully registered form and, when issued, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York. DTC will act as securities depository for the Bonds. Individual purchases may be made in book-entry form only, in the principal amount of \$5,000 and integral multiples thereof. Purchasers will not receive certificates representing their ownership interest in the Bonds.

Principal of and interest on the Bonds will be made by the District to DTC, which will in turn remit such principal of and interest on to its Participants (defined herein), for subsequent disbursement to the Beneficial Owners (defined herein) of the Bonds as described herein. The Bonds may be transferred in the manner described on the Bonds and as referenced in certain proceedings of the District referred to therein.

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<sup>\*</sup>Preliminary subject to change.

The record payment date for the payment of principal and interest on the Bonds is the fifteenth day of the calendar month immediately preceding each interest payment date.

#### Description of the Notes

The Notes will be dated and will mature, without option of prior redemption, as reflected on the cover page hereof.

The District will act as Paying Agent for the Notes. Paying agent fees, if any, will be paid by the purchaser(s). The District's contact information is Gerard Antoine, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations, telephone number (516) 267-7713, gerard antoine@manhassetschools.org.

# Authority for and Purpose of the Bonds

The Bonds are issued pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State, and a bond resolution duly adopted by the Board of Education of the District on January 5, 2023, following approval of a proposition by a majority of the qualified voters of the District voting at a Special District Meeting held on December 8, 2022, authorizing the issuance of up to \$43,926,484 serial bonds by the District to finance the construction of improvements and alterations to all District buildings and the sites thereof. The proceeds from the sale of the Bonds, together with a portion of the proceeds from the sale of the BANs in the amount of \$6,625,000 and \$175,000 in available funds will be used to redeem the District's Bond Anticipation Notes – 2024 in full at maturity on August 29, 2025.

#### Authority for and Purpose of the BANs

The BANs are issued pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State, and a bond resolution duly adopted by the Board of Education of the District on January 5, 2023, following approval of a proposition by a majority of the qualified voters of the District voting at a Special District Meeting held on December 8, 2022, authorizing the issuance of up to \$43,926,484 serial bonds by the District to finance the construction of improvements and alterations to all District buildings and the sites thereof. A portion of the proceeds from the sale of the BANs in the amount of \$6,625,000, together with the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds and \$175,000 in available funds will be used to redeem the District's Bond Anticipation Notes – 2024 in full at maturity on August 29, 2025. The balance of the proceeds from the sale of the BANs in the amount of \$25,126,484 will be used to provide additional original financing pursuant to this bond resolution.

#### Authority for and Purpose of the TANs

The Notes are issued pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State, including Sections 24.00 and 39.00 of the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of New York, and a tax anticipation note resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the District to finance cash flow requirements in anticipation of the collection of 2025-2026 real property taxes levied for school purposes on all taxable real property in the District. The proceeds of the Notes may be used only for the purposes for which such taxes were or are to be levied, as specified in the 2025-2026 annual budget of the District, unless all of said purposes have been paid and satisfied, in which case the proceeds of the Notes may be used for any lawful school purpose. The proceeds of the Notes will not be used for the redemption or renewal of any outstanding tax or revenue anticipation notes.

Pursuant to Section 24.00(e) of the Local Finance Law, generally, whenever the amount of the Notes and any additional tax anticipation notes issued by the District in anticipation of the receipt of 2025-2026 real property taxes equals the amount of such taxes remaining uncollected, the District is required to set aside in a special bank account all of such uncollected taxes as thereafter collected, and to use the amounts so set aside only for the purpose of paying such Notes. Interest on the Notes will be provided from budget appropriations.

#### **Optional Redemption**

The Bonds maturing on or before April 1, 2033 are not subject to redemption prior to their stated maturity. The Bonds maturing on or after April 1, 2034 will be subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the option of the District, on any date on or after April 1, 2033, in whole or in part, and if in part in any order of their maturity and in any amount within a maturity (selected by lot within a maturity), at the redemption equal to the principal amount of the Bonds to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

If less than all of the Bonds of any maturity are to be redeemed, the particular bonds of such maturity to be redeemed shall be selected by lot in any customary manner of selection as determined by the District. Notice of such call for redemption shall be given by mailing such notice to the registered holder not more than sixty (60) days nor less than thirty (30) days prior to such date of redemption. Notice of redemption having been given as aforesaid, the bonds so called for redemption shall, on the date for redemption set forth in such call of redemption, become due and payable together with interest to such redemption date. Interest shall cease to be paid thereon after such redemption date (See "DESCRIPTION OF BOOK-ENTRY SYSTEM" for additional information concerning redemptions).

The Notes are not subject to optional redemption prior to maturity.

#### Nature of the Obligation

Each Bond and Note when duly issued and paid for will constitute a contract between the District and the holder thereof.

The Bonds and the BANs are general obligations of the District and will contain a pledge of the faith and credit of the District for the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon. For the payment of such principal and interest the District has the power and statutory authorization to levy ad valorem taxes on all taxable real property in the District without limitation as to rate or amount.

The TANs are general obligations of the District and will contain a pledge of the faith and credit of the District for the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon. For the payment of such principal and interest the District has the power and statutory authorization to levy ad valorem taxes on all taxable real property in the District, subject to certain statutory limitations imposed by Chapter 97 of the Laws of 2011, as amended. (See "*The Tax Levy Limit Law*" herein).

Under the Constitution of the State, the District is required to pledge its faith and credit for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds and Notes, and the State is specifically precluded from restricting the power of the District to levy taxes on real estate therefore. However, Chapter 97 of the New York Laws of 2011, as amended (the "Tax Levy Limit Law"), imposes a limitation on the power of local governments and school districts, including the District, to increase their annual tax levy, with the amount of such increase limited by the formulas set forth in the Tax Levy Limit Law. The Tax Levy Limit Law also provides the procedural method to overcome that limitation. In addition, the Tax Levy Limit Law expressly provides an exclusion from the annual tax levy limitation for any taxes levied to pay the local share of debt service on bonds or notes issued to finance voter approved capital expenditures, or the refinancing or refunding of such bonds or notes. As the Bonds and BANs are being issued to finance voter approved capital expenditures, the Bonds and BANs qualify for such exclusion to the annual tax levy limitation. The exclusion does NOT apply to taxes to pay debt service on tax anticipation notes (including the TANs), revenue anticipation notes, budget notes and deficiency notes; and any obligations issued to finance deficits and certain judgments, including tax certiorari refund payments. (See "The Tax Levy Limit Law" herein.)

#### REMEDIES UPON DEFAULT

Neither the Bonds, the Notes, nor the proceedings with respect thereto, specifically provide any remedies which would be available to owners of the Bonds or the Notes should the District default in the payment of principal of or interest on the Bonds or the Notes, nor do they contain any provisions for the appointment of a trustee to enforce the

interests of the owners of the Bonds or the Notes upon the occurrence of any such default. The Bonds and the Notes are general obligation contracts between the District and the owners for which the faith and credit of the District are pledged and while remedies for enforcement of payment are not expressly included in the District's contract with such owners, any permanent repeal by statute or constitutional amendment of a bondholder's and/or noteholder's remedial right to judicial enforcement of the contract should, in the opinion of Bond Counsel, be held unconstitutional.

Upon default in the payment of principal of or interest on the Bonds or the Notes at the suit of the owner, a Court has the power, in proper and appropriate proceedings, to render judgment against the District. The present statute limits interest on the amount adjudged due to contract creditors to nine per centum per annum from the date due to the date of payment. As a general rule, property and funds of a municipal corporation serving the public welfare and interest have not been judicially subjected to execution or attachment to satisfy a judgment. A Court also has the power, in proper and appropriate proceedings, to order payment of a judgment on such bonds or notes from funds lawfully available therefor or, in the absence thereof, to order the District to take all lawful action to obtain the same. including the raising of the required amount in the next annual tax levy. In exercising its discretion as to whether to issue such an order, the Court may take into account all relevant factors, including the current operating needs of the District and the availability and adequacy of other remedies. Upon any default in the payment of the principal of or interest on the Bonds or the Notes, the owners of such Bonds or the Notes could, among other remedies, seek to obtain a writ of mandamus from a Court ordering the governing body of the District to assess, levy and collect an ad valorem tax, upon all taxable property of the District subject to taxation by the District sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds or the Notes as the same shall come due and payable (and interest from the due date to date of payment) and otherwise to observe the covenants contained in the Bonds or the Notes and the proceedings with respect thereto all of which are included in the contract with the owners of the Bonds or the Notes. The mandamus remedy, however, may be impracticable and difficult to enforce. Further, the right to enforce payment of the principal of or interest on the Bonds or the Notes may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws and equitable principles, which may limit the specific enforcement of certain remedies.

In 1976, the New York Court of Appeals, the State's highest court, held in *Flushing National Bank* v. *Municipal Assistance Corporation for the City of New York*, 40 N.Y.2d 731 (1976), that the New York State legislation purporting to postpone the payment of debt service on New York City obligations was an unconstitutional moratorium in violation of the New York State constitutional faith and credit mandate included in all municipal debt obligations. While that case can be viewed as a precedent for protecting the remedies of holders of obligations, there can be no assurance as to what a Court may determine with respect to future events, including financial crises as they may occur in the State and in municipalities of the State, that require the exercise by the State of its emergency and police powers to assure the continuation of essential public services. (See also, *Flushing National Bank* v. *Municipal Assistance Corporation for the City of New York*, 40 N.Y.2d 1088 (1977), where the Court of Appeals described the pledge as a direct Constitutional mandate.)

As a result of the Court of Appeals decision, the constitutionality of that portion of Title 6-A of Article 2 of the Local Finance Law enacted at the 1975 Extraordinary Session of the State legislature authorizing any county, city, town or village with respect to which the State has declared a financial emergency to petition the State Supreme Court to stay the enforcement against such municipality of any claim for payment relating to any contract, debt or obligation of the municipality during the emergency period, is subject to doubt. In any event, no such emergency has been declared with respect to the District.

Pursuant to Article VIII, Section 2 of the State Constitution, the District is required to provide an annual appropriation of monies for the payment of due and payable principal of and interest on indebtedness. Specifically this constitutional provision states: "If at any time the respective appropriating authorities shall fail to make such appropriations, a sufficient sum shall be set apart from the first revenues thereafter received and shall be applied to such purposes. The fiscal officer of any county, city, town, village or school district may be required to set aside and apply such revenues as aforesaid at the suit of any holder of obligations issued for any such indebtedness." This constitutes a specific non-exclusive constitutional remedy against a defaulting municipality or school district; however, it does not apply in a context in which monies have been appropriated for debt service but the appropriating authorities decline to use such monies to pay debt service. However, Article VIII, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State also provides that the fiscal officer of any county, city, town, village or school district may be required to set apart and apply such revenues at the suit of any holder of any obligations of indebtedness issued

with the pledge of the faith of the credit of such political subdivision. In *Quirk* v. *Municipal Assistance Corp.*, 41 N.Y.2d 644 (1977), the Court of Appeals described this as a "first lien" on revenues, but one that does not give holders a right to any particular revenues. It should thus be noted that the pledge of the faith and credit of a political subdivision in the State is a pledge of an issuer of a general obligation bond or note to use its general revenue powers, including, but not limited to, its property tax levy, to pay debt service on such obligations, but that such pledge may or may not be interpreted by a court of competent jurisdiction to include a constitutional or statutory lien upon any particular revenues. The Constitutional provision providing for first revenue set asides does not apply to tax anticipation notes, revenue anticipation notes or bond anticipation notes.

While the courts in the State have historically been protective of the rights of holders of general obligation debt of political subdivisions, it is not possible to predict what a future court might hold.

In prior years, certain events and legislation affecting a holder's remedies upon default have resulted in litigation. While courts of final jurisdiction have generally upheld and sustained the rights of bondholders and/or noteholders, such courts might hold that future events, including a financial crisis as such may occur in the State or in political subdivisions of the State, may require the exercise by the State or its political subdivisions of emergency and police powers to assure the continuation of essential public services prior to the payment of debt service.

#### No Past Due Debt

No principal or interest payment on District indebtedness is past due. The District has never defaulted in the payment of the principal of and/or interest on any indebtedness.

#### Bankruptcy

The Federal Bankruptcy Code (Chapter IX) allows public bodies, such as municipalities, recourse to the protection of a Federal Court for the purpose of adjusting outstanding indebtedness. Title 6-A of the Local Finance Law specifically authorizes any municipality in the State or its emergency control board to file a petition under any provision of Federal bankruptcy law for the composition or adjustment of municipal indebtedness. While this Local Finance Law provision does not apply to school districts, there can be no assurance that it will not become applicable in the future. As such, the undertakings of the District should be considered with reference, specifically, to Chapter IX, and, in general, to other bankruptcy laws affecting creditors' rights and municipalities. Bankruptcy proceedings by the District if authorized by the State in the future, could have adverse effects on bondholders and/or noteholders including (a) delay in the enforcement of their remedies, (b) subordination of their claims to those supplying goods and services to the District after the initiation of bankruptcy proceedings and to the administrative expenses of bankruptcy proceedings and (c) imposition without their consent of a reorganization plan reducing or delaying payment of the Bonds or the Notes.

The above references to said Chapter IX are not to be construed as an indication that the State will consent in the future to the right of the District to file a petition with any United States district court or court of bankruptcy under any provision of the laws of the United States, now or hereafter in effect for the composition or adjustment of municipal indebtedness or that the District is currently considering or expects to resort to the provisions of Chapter IX if authorized to do so in the future.

# **SECTION 99-B OF THE STATE FINANCE LAW**

Section 99-b of the State Finance Law (the "SFL") provides for a covenant between the State and the purchasers and the holders and owners from time to time of the bonds and notes issued by school districts in the State for school purposes that it will not repeal, revoke or rescind the provisions of Section 99-b of the SFL, or amend or modify the same so as to limit, impair or impede the rights and remedies granted thereby.

Said section provides that in the event a holder or owner of any bond or note issued by a school district for school purposes shall file with the State Comptroller, a verified statement describing such bond or note and alleging default in the payment thereof or the interest thereon or both, it shall be the duty of the State Comptroller to immediately

investigate the circumstances of the alleged default and prepare and file in his office a certificate setting forth his determinations with respect thereto and to serve a copy thereof by registered mail upon the chief fiscal officer of the school district which issued the bond or note. Such investigation by the State Comptroller shall set forth a description of all such bonds and notes of the school district found to be in default and the amount of principal and interest thereon past due.

Upon the filing of such a certificate in the office of the State Comptroller, he shall thereafter deduct and withhold from the next succeeding allotment, apportionment or payment of such State aid or assistance due to such school district such amount thereof as may be required to pay (a) the school district's contribution to the State Teachers' Retirement System, and (b) the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes of such school district then in default. In the event such State aid or assistance initially so withheld shall be insufficient to pay said amounts in full, the State Comptroller shall similarly deduct and withhold from each succeeding allotment, apportionment or payment of such State aid or assistance due such school district such amount or amounts thereof as may be required to cure such default. Allotments, apportionments and payments of such State aid so deducted or withheld by the State Comptroller for the payment of principal and interest on the bonds and notes shall be forwarded promptly to the paying agent or agents for the bonds and notes in default of such school district for the sole purpose of the payment of defaulted principal of and interest on such bonds or notes. If any such successive allotments, apportionments or payment of such State aid so deducted or withheld shall be less than the amount of all principal and interest on the bonds and notes in default with respect to which the same was so deducted or withheld, then the State Comptroller shall promptly forward to each paying agent an amount in the proportion that the amount of such bonds and notes in default payable to such paying agent bears to the total amount of the principal and interest then in default on such bonds and notes of such school district. The State Comptroller shall promptly notify the chief fiscal officer of such school district of any payment or payments made to any paying agent or agents of defaulted bonds or notes pursuant to said section of the SFL.

# **DESCRIPTION OF BOOK-ENTRY SYSTEM**

The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") will act as securities depository for the Bonds and for those Notes issued in book-entry form. The Bonds and those Notes issued in book-entry form will be issued as fully-registered bonds and notes registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered bond certificate will be issued for each maturity of the Bonds and will be deposited with DTC. One fully-registered note certificate will be issued for each Note of an issue, issued in book-entry form bearing the same rate of interest and CUSIP number, and will be deposited with DTC.

DTC, the world's largest securities depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments (from over 100 countries) that DTC's participants ("Direct Participants") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized bookentry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtcc.com and www.dtc.org.

Purchases of the Bonds and the Notes under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Bonds and the Notes on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each bond or note ("Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants' records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Bonds and the Notes are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in the Bonds and the Notes, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Bonds and the Notes is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Bonds and Notes deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of the Bonds and the Notes with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Bonds and the Notes; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Bonds and Notes are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time.

Redemption notices shall be sent to DTC. If less than all of the securities within an issue are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such issue to be redeemed.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to the Bonds and the Notes unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's MMI Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the District as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts the Bonds and the Notes are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Principal and interest payments on the Bonds and the Notes will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the District, on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by the District to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC or the District, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of redemption proceeds, distributions, and dividend payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the District, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as depository with respect to the Bonds and the Notes at any time by giving reasonable notice to the District. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, bond certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

The District may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry-only transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, bond and note certificates will be printed and delivered to DTC.

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the District believes to be reliable, but the District takes no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

Source: The Depository Trust Company and Clearing Corporation.

THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE ABOVE SECTION CONCERNING DTC AND DTC'S BOOKENTRY SYSTEM HAS BEEN OBTAINED FROM SAMPLE OFFERING DOCUMENT LANGUAGE SUPPLIED BY DTC, BUT THE DISTRICT TAKES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ACCURACY THEREOF. IN ADDITION, THE DISTRICT WILL NOT HAVE ANY RESPONSIBILITY OR OBLIGATION TO PARTICIPANTS, TO INDIRECT PARTICIPANTS OR TO ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER WITH RESPECT TO: (I) THE ACCURACY OF ANY RECORDS MAINTAINED BY DTC, ANY PARTICIPANT OR ANY INDIRECT PARTICIPANT; (II) THE PAYMENTS BY DTC OR ANY PARTICIPANT OR ANY INDIRECT PARTICIPANT OF ANY AMOUNT WITH RESPECT TO THE PRINCIPAL OF, OR PREMIUM, IF ANY, OR INTEREST ON THE BONDS OR THE NOTES OR (III) ANY NOTICE WHICH IS PERMITTED OR REQUIRED TO BE GIVEN TO BOND OR NOTE OWNERS.

THE DISTRICT CANNOT AND DOES NOT GIVE ANY ASSURANCES THAT DTC, DIRECT PARTICIPANTS OR INDIRECT PARTICIPANTS OF DTC WILL DISTRIBUTE TO THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS OF THE BONDS OR THE NOTES (1) PAYMENTS OF PRINCIPAL OF OR INTEREST OR REDEMPTION PREMIUM ON THE BONDS OR THE NOTES (2) CONFIRMATIONS OF THEIR OWNERSHIP INTERESTS IN THE BONDS OR THE NOTES OR (3) OTHER NOTICES SENT TO DTC OR CEDE & CO., ITS PARTNERSHIP NOMINEE, AS THE REGISTERED OWNER OF THE BONDS OR THE NOTES, OR THAT THEY WILL DO SO ON A TIMELY BASIS, OR THAT DTC, DIRECT PARTICIPANTS OR INDIRECT PARTICIPANTS WILL SERVE AND ACT IN THE MANNER DESCRIBED IN THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

THE DISTRICT WILL NOT HAVE ANY RESPONSIBILITY OR OBLIGATIONS TO DTC, THE DIRECT PARTICIPANTS, THE INDIRECT PARTICIPANTS OF DTC OR THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS WITH RESPECT TO (1) THE ACCURACY OF ANY RECORDS MAINTAINED BY DTC OR ANY DIRECT PARTICIPANTS OR INDIRECT PARTICIPANTS OF DTC; (2) THE PAYMENT BY DTC OR ANY DIRECT PARTICIPANTS OR INDIRECT PARTICIPANTS OF DTC OF ANY AMOUNT DUE TO ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER IN RESPECT OF THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF OR INTEREST OR REDEMPTION PREMIUM ON THE BONDS OR THE NOTES; (3) THE DELIVERY BY DTC OR ANY DIRECT PARTICIPANTS OR INDIRECT PARTICIPANTS OF DTC OF ANY NOTICE TO ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER THAT IS REQUIRED OR PERMITTED TO BE GIVEN TO OWNERS; OR (4) ANY CONSENT GIVEN OR OTHER ACTION TAKEN BY DTC AS THE REGISTERED HOLDER OF THE BONDS OR THE NOTES.

# **RISK FACTORS**

There are certain potential risks associated with an investment in the Bonds or the Notes, and investors should be thoroughly familiar with this Official Statement, including its appendices, in order to make an informed investment decision. Investors should consider, in particular, the following factors:

The District's credit rating could be affected by circumstances beyond the District's control. Economic conditions such as the rate of unemployment and inflation, termination of commercial operations by corporate taxpayers and employers, as well as natural catastrophes, could adversely affect the assessed valuation of District property and its ability to maintain fund balances and other statistical indices commensurate with its current credit rating. Accordingly, a decline in the District's credit rating could adversely affect the market value of the Bonds and the Notes.

In addition, if and when a holder of any of the Bonds or the Notes should elect to sell a Bond or a Note prior to its maturity, there can be no assurance that a market shall have been established, maintained and be in existence for the purchase and sale of any Bonds or Notes. The price or principal value of the Bonds and the Notes is dependent on the prevailing level of interest rates. If interest rates should increase, the price of a bond or a note may decline causing the bondholder or noteholder to potentially incur a capital loss if such note is sold prior to its maturity.

The financial condition of the District as well as the market for the Bonds and the Notes could be affected by a variety of factors, some of which are beyond the District's control. There can be no assurance that adverse events in the State, including, for example, the seeking by a municipality of remedies pursuant to the Federal Bankruptcy Act or otherwise, will not occur which might affect the market price of and the market for the Bonds and the Notes. If a significant default or other financial crisis should occur in the affairs of the State or at any of its agencies or political subdivisions thereby further impairing the acceptability of obligations issued by borrowers within the State, both the ability of the District to arrange for additional borrowings and the market for and market value of outstanding debt obligations, including the Bonds and the Notes, could be adversely affected.

Future amendments to applicable statutes whether enacted by the State or the United States of America affecting the treatment of interest paid on municipal obligations, including the Bonds and the Notes, for income taxation purposes could have an adverse effect on the market value of the Bonds and the Notes (see "Tax Matters" herein.).

The enactment of the Tax Levy Limit Law, which imposes a tax levy limitation upon municipalities, school districts and fire districts in the State, including the District, without providing exclusion for debt service on obligations issued by municipalities and fire districts, including the District, may affect the market price and/or marketability for the Bonds and the Notes. (See "The Tax Levy Limit Law" herein.)

Federal or State legislation imposing new or increased mandatory expenditures by municipalities, school districts and fire districts in the State, including the District could impair the financial condition of such entities, including the District and the ability of such entities, including the District, to pay debt service on their respective obligations.

The District relies in part on State aid to fund its operations. There can be no assurance that the State appropriation for State aid to school districts will be continued in future years, either pursuant to existing formulas or in any form whatsoever. State aid appropriated and apportioned to the District can be paid only if the State has such monies available therefore. The availability of such monies and the timeliness of such payment may also be affected by a delay in the adoption of the State budget, the State's economy and financial condition and other circumstances. In any event, State aid appropriated and apportioned to the District can be paid only if the State has such monies available therefore. (See "State Aid" and "Events Affecting New York School Districts" herein).

Should the District fail to receive State aid expected from the State in the amounts or at the times expected, occasioned by a delay in the payment of such monies or by a reduction in State aid, the District is authorized by the Local Finance Law to provide operating funds by borrowing on account of the uncollected State aid.

An outbreak of disease or similar public health threat, such as the COVID-19 outbreak, or fear of such an event, could have an adverse impact on the District's financial condition and operating results by potentially delaying the receipt of real property taxes or resulting in a delay or reduction by the State in the payment of State aid.

# **CYBERSECURITY**

The District, like many other public and private entities, relies on technology as an integral part of its day-to-day operations. As a recipient and provider of personal, private, or sensitive information, the District faces multiple cyber threats including, but not limited to: hacking, viruses, malware, and other attacks on computer and other sensitive digital networks and systems. To mitigate the risk of business operations impact and/or damage from cyber incidents or cyber-attacks, the District invests in various forms of cybersecurity and operational controls. These include redundant firewalls, email filtering, extensive use of zero client terminals to reduce the threat surface of attacks, servers locked behind physical locks with limited access, active network monitoring for anomalous traffic, redundant internet access providers, a zero downtime backup of all network data to a second location, and full vetting of third party software for compliance with New York State's Parents Bill of Rights for Student Data Privacy Act. In addition to the internal protection systems and protocols discussed herein, the District has secured cyber security insurance.

The District has also employed a Cybersecurity Specialist/Data Protection Officer. Their tasks include, but are not limited to, monitoring a software platform that serves as the managed detection and response platform for endpoints

and another program that serves as the protection of sensitive data through file protection, threat detection and mitigation. The District also works in tandem with CSDNET for cybersecurity support to monitor the network for threats and vulnerabilities, and provide patching and critical updates.

It is noted that no assurances can be given that such security and operational control measures will be completely successful to guard against all cyber threats.

On September 14, 2021, the District detected a network disruption incident, which impacted the availability of certain systems within its computer network. In response, the District implemented its security protocols, which include activating its response team and notifying law enforcement to commence an investigation. Due to security updates completed by the District's network engineers and IT staff that included network segmentation, the District was able to restore its computer systems from backups. The District maintains cybersecurity insurance that covered most of the expenses related to this cybersecurity attack. However, incremental expenses were incurred to cover policy deductibles and the costs of several additional measures to enhance security in an effort to prevent an incident from recurring in the future.

# **LITIGATION**

In common with other school districts, the District from time to time receives notices of claim and is party to litigation. Except as otherwise set forth herein and apart from matters provided for by applicable insurance coverage, the attorneys for the District are unaware of any claims or action pending which, if determined against the District, would have an adverse material effect on the financial condition of the District.

# **TAX MATTERS**

# Opinion of Bond Counsel

In the opinion of Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP, Bond Counsel to the District, under existing statutes and court decisions and assuming continuing compliance with certain tax certifications described herein, (i) interest on the Bonds and the Notes is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and (ii) interest on the Bonds and the Notes is not treated as a preference item in calculating the alternative minimum tax under the Code, however, interest on the Bonds and the Notes is included in the "adjusted financial statement income" of certain corporations that are subject to the alternative minimum tax under Section 55 of the Code. The Tax Certificates of the District (the "Tax Certificate"), which will be delivered concurrently with the delivery of the Bonds and the Notes will contain provisions and procedures relating to compliance with applicable requirements of the Code. In rendering its opinion, Bond Counsel has relied on certain representations, certifications of fact, and statements of reasonable expectations made by the District in connection with the Bonds and the Notes, and Bond Counsel has assumed compliance by the District with certain ongoing provisions and procedures set forth in the Tax Certificate relating to compliance with applicable requirements of the Code to assure the exclusion of interest on the Bonds and the Notes from gross income under Section 103 of the Code.

In addition, in the opinion of Bond Counsel to the District, under existing statutes, interest on the Bonds and the Notes is exempt from personal income taxes of New York State and its political subdivisions, including The City of New York.

Bond Counsel expresses no opinion as to any other federal, state or local tax consequences arising with respect to the Bonds, the Notes, or the ownership or disposition thereof, except as stated above. Bond Counsel renders its opinion under existing statutes and court decisions as of the issue date, and assumes no obligation to update, revise or supplement its opinion to reflect any action thereafter taken or not taken, any fact or circumstance that may thereafter come to its attention, any change in law or interpretation thereof that may thereafter occur, or for any other reason. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion as to the consequence of any of the events described in the preceding sentence or the likelihood of their occurrence. In addition, Bond Counsel expresses no opinion on the effect of any

action taken or not taken in reliance upon an opinion of other counsel regarding federal, state or local tax matters, including, without limitation, exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on the Bonds or the Notes.

#### Certain Ongoing Federal Tax Requirements and Certifications

The Code establishes certain ongoing requirements that must be met subsequent to the issuance and delivery of the Bonds and the Notes in order that interest on the Bonds and the Notes be and remain excluded from gross income under Section 103 of the Code. These requirements include, but are not limited to, requirements relating to use and expenditure of gross proceeds of the Bonds and the Notes, yield and other restrictions on investments of gross proceeds, and the arbitrage rebate requirement that certain excess earnings on gross proceeds be rebated to the federal government. Noncompliance with such requirements may cause interest on the Bonds and the Notes to become included in gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactive to their issue date, irrespective of the date on which such noncompliance occurs or is discovered. The District, in executing the Tax Certificate, will certify to the effect that the District will do and perform all acts and things necessary or desirable to assure the exclusion of interest on the Bonds and the Notes from gross income under Section 103 of the Code.

#### Certain Collateral Federal Tax Consequences

The following is a brief discussion of certain collateral federal income tax matters with respect to the Bonds and the Notes. It does not purport to address all aspects of federal taxation that may be relevant to a particular owner of a Bond or a Note. Prospective investors, particularly those who may be subject to special rules, are advised to consult their own tax advisors regarding the federal tax consequences of owning and disposing of the Bonds and the Notes.

Prospective owners of the Bonds and the Notes should be aware that the ownership of such obligations may result in collateral federal income tax consequences to various categories of persons, such as corporations (including S corporations and foreign corporations), financial institutions, property and casualty and life insurance companies, individual recipients of Social Security and railroad retirement benefits, individuals otherwise eligible for the earned income tax credit, and taxpayers deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry obligations the interest on which is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Interest on the Bonds and the Notes may be taken into account in determining the tax liability of foreign corporations subject to the branch profits tax imposed by Section 884 of the Code.

#### Original Issue Discount

"Original issue discount" ("OID") is the excess of the sum of all amounts payable at the stated maturity of a Bond or Note (excluding certain "qualified stated interest" that is unconditionally payable at least annually at prescribed rates) over the issue price of that maturity. In general, the "issue price" of a maturity (a bond with the same maturity date, interest rate, and credit terms) means the first price at which at least 10 percent of such maturity was sold to the public, i.e., a purchaser who is not, directly or indirectly, a signatory to a written contract to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds and Notes. In general, the issue price for each maturity of Bonds and Notes is expected to be the initial public offering price set forth on the cover page of the Official Statement. Bond Counsel further is of the opinion that, for any Bond or Note having OID (a "Discount Obligation"), OID that has accrued and is properly allocable to the owners of the Discount Obligation under Section 1288 of the Code is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes to the same extent as other interest on the Bond or the Note.

In general, under Section 1288 of the Code, OID on a Discount Obligation accrues under a constant yield method, based on periodic compounding of interest over prescribed accrual periods using a compounding rate determined by reference to the yield on that Discount Obligation. An owner's adjusted basis in a Discount Obligation is increased by accrued OID for purposes of determining gain or loss on sale, exchange, or other disposition of such Bond or Note. Accrued OID may be taken into account as an increase in the amount of tax-exempt income received or deemed to have been received for purposes of determining various other tax consequences of owning a Discount Obligation even though there will not be a corresponding cash payment.

Owners of Discount Obligations should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the treatment of original issue discount for federal income tax purposes, including various special rules relating thereto, and the state and local tax consequences of acquiring, holding, and disposing of Discount Obligations.

#### **Bond Premium**

In general, if an owner acquires a Bond or Note for a purchase price (excluding accrued interest) or otherwise at a tax basis that reflects a premium over the sum of all amounts payable on the Bond or Note after the acquisition date (excluding certain "qualified stated interest" that is unconditionally payable at least annually at prescribed rates), that premium constitutes "bond premium" on that Bond or Note (a "Premium Obligation"). In general, under Section 171 of the Code, an owner of a Premium Obligation must amortize the bond premium over the remaining term of the Premium Obligation, based on the owner's yield over the remaining term of the Premium Obligation determined based on constant yield principles (in certain cases involving a Premium Obligation callable prior to its stated maturity date, the amortization period and yield may be required to be determined on the basis of an earlier call date that results in the lowest yield on such Bond or Note). An owner of a Premium Obligation must amortize the bond premium by offsetting the qualified stated interest allocable to each interest accrual period under the owner's regular method of accounting against the bond premium allocable to that period. In the case of a taxexempt Premium Obligation, if the bond premium allocable to an accrual period exceeds the qualified stated interest allocable to that accrual period, the excess is a nondeductible loss. Under certain circumstances, the owner of a Premium Obligation may realize a taxable gain upon disposition of the Premium Obligation even though it is sold or redeemed for an amount less than or equal to the owner's original acquisition cost. Owners of any Premium Obligation should consult their own tax advisors regarding the treatment of bond premium for federal income tax purposes, including various special rules relating thereto, and state and local tax consequences, in connection with the acquisition, ownership, amortization of bond premium on, sale, exchange, or other disposition of Premium Obligations.

# Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

Information reporting requirements apply to interest paid on tax-exempt obligations, including the Bonds and the Notes. In general, such requirements are satisfied if the interest recipient completes, and provides the payor with, a Form W-9, "Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification," or if the recipient is one of a limited class of exempt recipients. A recipient not otherwise exempt from information reporting who fails to satisfy the information reporting requirements will be subject to "backup withholding," which means that the payor is required to deduct and withhold a tax from the interest payment, calculated in the manner set forth in the Code. For the foregoing purpose, a "payor" generally refers to the person or entity from whom a recipient receives its payments of interest or who collects such payments on behalf of the recipient.

If an owner purchasing a Bond or a Note through a brokerage account has executed a Form W-9 in connection with the establishment of such account, as generally can be expected, no backup withholding should occur. In any event, backup withholding does not affect the excludability of the interest on the Bonds and the Notes from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Any amounts withheld pursuant to backup withholding would be allowed as a refund or a credit against the owner's federal income tax once the required information is furnished to the Internal Revenue Service.

#### Miscellaneous

Tax legislation, administrative actions taken by tax authorities, or court decisions, whether at the federal or state level, may adversely affect the tax-exempt status of interest on the Bonds and the Notes under federal or state law or otherwise prevent beneficial owners of the Bonds and the Notes from realizing the full current benefit of the tax status of such interest. In addition, such legislation or actions (whether currently proposed, proposed in the future, or enacted) and such decisions could affect the market price or marketability of the Bonds and the Notes.

Prospective purchasers of the Bonds and the Notes should consult their own tax advisors regarding the foregoing matters.

#### **LEGAL MATTERS**

Legal matters incident to the authorization, issuance and sale of the Bonds and the Notes are subject to the respective approving legal opinions of Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP, New York, New York, Bond Counsel. Bond Counsel's opinions will be in substantially the forms attached hereto in Appendices E and F, respectively.

#### **DISCLOSURE UNDERTAKINGS**

In order to assist the purchaser(s) in complying with Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("Rule 15c2-12") with respect to the Bonds and the Notes, the District will execute an Undertaking to Provide Continuing Disclosure for the Bonds, the form of which is attached hereto as Appendix G and an Undertaking to Provide Notices of Events for the Notes, the form of which is attached hereto as Appendix H.

# **RATINGS**

The District has applied to Moody's Investors Service ("Moody's) for a rating on the Bonds and the Notes. Such applications are pending at this time.

On June 4, 2019, Moody's Investors Service ("Moody's) affirmed the District's underlying credit rating of "Aa1".

Such rating reflects only the view of such organization, and an explanation of the significance of such rating may be obtained only from such rating agency, at the following address: Moody's Investors Service, Inc., 7 World Trade Center at 250 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10007. There can be no assurance that such rating will continue for any specified period of time or that such rating will not be revised or withdrawn, if in the judgment of Moody's circumstances so warrant. Any such change or withdrawal of such rating may have an adverse effect on the market price of such bonds or the availability of a secondary market for those bonds.

# **MUNICIPAL ADVISOR**

Capital Markets Advisors, LLC, Great Neck, New York, (the "Municipal Advisor") is an independent municipal advisor registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board. The Municipal Advisor has served as the independent financial advisor to the District in connection with this transaction.

In preparing the Official Statement, the Municipal Advisor has relied upon governmental officials, and other sources, who have access to relevant data to provide accurate information for the Official Statement. The Municipal Advisor has not been engaged, nor has it undertaken, to independently verify the accuracy of such information. The Municipal Advisor is not a public accounting firm and has not been engaged by the District to compile, review, examine or audit any information in the Official Statement in accordance with accounting standards. The Municipal Advisor is not a law firm and does not provide legal advice with respect to this or any debt offerings of the District. The Municipal Advisor is an independent advisory firm and is not engaged in the business of underwriting, trading or distributing municipal securities or other public securities and therefore will not participate in the underwriting of the Bonds or the Notes.

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Periodic public reports relating to the financial condition of the District, its operations and the balances, receipts and disbursements of the various funds of the District are available for the public inspection at the business office of the District.

Additional information may be obtained from the office of the District's Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations, Gerard Antoine (516) 267-7713, or from the District's Municipal Advisor, Capital Markets Advisors, LLC, 11 Grace Avenue, Suite 308, Great Neck, New York 11021, (516) 487-9817.

The District will act as Paying Agent with respect to the Bonds and the Notes. The Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations noted above should be used as the Paying Agent contact.

Any statements in this Official Statement involving matters of opinion or estimates, whether or not expressly so stated, are intended as such and not as representations of fact. No representation is made that any of such statements will be realized. This Official Statement is not to be construed as a contract or agreement between the District and the original purchasers or holders of any of the Bonds or the Notes.

Capital Markets Advisors, LLC may place a copy of this Official Statement on its website at <a href="www.capmark.org">www.capmark.org</a>. Unless this Official Statement specifically indicates otherwise, no statement on such website is included by specific reference or constitutes a part of this Official Statement. Capital Markets Advisors, LLC has prepared such website information for convenience, but no decisions should be made in reliance upon that information. Typographical or other errors may have occurred in converting original source documents to digital format, and neither the District nor Capital Markets Advisors, LLC assumes any liability or responsibility for errors or omissions on such website. Further, Capital Markets Advisors, LLC and the District disclaim any duty or obligation either to update or to maintain that information or any responsibility or liability for any damages caused by viruses in the electronic files on the website. Capital Markets Advisors, LLC and the District also assume no liability or responsibility for any errors or omissions or for any updates to dated website information.

The statements contained in this Official Statement and the appendices hereto that are not purely historical are forward-looking statements. Such forward-looking statements can be identified, in some cases, by terminology such as "may," "will," "should," "expects," "intends," "plans," "anticipates," "believes," "estimates," "predicts," "potential," "illustrate," "example," and "continue," or the singular, plural, negative or other derivations of these or other comparable terms. Readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements included in this Official Statement are based on information available to such parties on the date of this Official Statement, and the City assumes no obligation to update any such forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements included herein are necessarily based on various assumptions and estimates and are inherently subject to various risks and uncertainties, including, but not limited to, risks and uncertainties relating to the possible invalidity of the underlying assumptions and estimates and possible changes or developments in various important factors. Accordingly, actual results may vary from the projections, forecasts and estimates contained in this Official Statement and such variations may be material.

This Official Statement is submitted only in connection with the sale of the Bonds and the Notes by the District and may not be reproduced or used in whole or in part for any other purpose.

# By: Ted Post President of the Board of Education

MANHASSET UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

DATED: August , 2025

# APPENDIX A

THE DISTRICT

#### THE DISTRICT

# **General Information**

Manhasset Union Free School District is located in the northwestern corner of Nassau County, in the Town of North Hempstead (the "Town"), on the north shore of Long Island. The District encompasses the southwestern portion of the Port Washington peninsula, which includes an extensive shore along Manhasset Bay lying to the west. Due to its close proximity to New York City, many District residents commute by car, bus or train to Manhattan, where they are engaged in various professions. The approximate area of the District is 4.9 square miles.

The area is largely residential and consists of estates with substantial residences, many housing developments and apartment houses. Manhasset, an unincorporated area, is the government seat of the Town. Commercial activity in the District is primarily retail in nature. The two main business areas, one on Plandome Road, and the other on Northern Boulevard, known as the "Miracle Mile," draw consumers from surrounding areas, as well as, provide employment opportunities for residents of the District. The Miracle Mile has branches of high end New York City stores such as Brooks Brothers, Tiffany's, Ralph Lauren, Cartier, Dior, Bottega Veneta, Hermes, Gucci, Burberry, Chanel, Fendi, Prada, Louis Vuitton, Anthropologie, Tesla and Ferragamo.

The District includes the incorporated Villages of Munsey Park, Plandome, Plandome Heights, and Plandome Manor and parts of the incorporated Villages of Flower Hill and North Hills. A network of roads leads to and from the District, giving vehicular traffic ready access to the major east-west arteries leading either into New York City, or to eastern Long Island. These include Northern Boulevard (Route 25A), the Northern State Parkway, and the Long Island Expressway.

The District is served by the Port Washington branch of the Long Island Railroad. There is frequent west-bound train service to Pennsylvania Station, New York, with the trip taking approximately one-half hour. East-bound service to Great Neck, Manhasset and Port Washington is also on a frequent basis.

Water service is provided by the Manhasset-Lakeville Water District, sewage collection by Nassau County, and gas and electric service by the PSEG Long Island. Police protection is furnished by the Nassau County Police District, while fire protection is provided by the Manhasset-Lakeville Fire Department.

#### District Organization

Subject to the provisions of the State Constitution, the District operates pursuant to the Education Law, the Local Finance Law, other laws generally applicable to the District, and any special laws applicable to the District. Under such laws, there is no authority for the District to have a charter or adopt local laws.

The legislative power of the District is vested in the Board of Education (the "Board"). Under current law, an election is held within the District boundaries on the third Tuesday of May each year to elect members of the Board. Board members are generally elected for a term of three years.

In early July of each year, the Board meets for the purpose of reorganization. At that time, the Board elects a President and a Vice President, and appoints a District Clerk and District Treasurer.

#### Financial Organization

Pursuant to the Local Finance Law, the President of the Board is the chief fiscal officer of the District. However, certain of the financial functions of the District are the responsibility of the Superintendent of Schools, the Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations and the District Treasurer.

# Financial Statements and Accounting Procedures

The financial accounts of the District are maintained in accordance with the New York State Uniform System of Accounting for School Districts. Such accounts are audited annually by independent auditors, and are available for public inspection upon request.

# **Budgetary Procedure**

The District's fiscal year begins on July 1 and ends on June 30. Starting in the fall or winter of each year, the District's financial plan and enrollment projection are reviewed and updated and the first draft of the next year's proposed budget is developed by the central office staff. During the winter and early spring the budget is developed and refined in conjunction with the school building principals and department supervisors. The District's budget is subject to the provisions of the Tax Levy Limit Law, which imposes a limitation on the amount of real property taxes that a school district may levy, and by law is submitted to voter referendum on the third Tuesday of May each year. (See "The Tax Levy Limit Law" herein).

On May 21, 2024, a majority of the voters of the District approved the District's budget for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. On May 20, 2025, a majority of the voters of the District approved the District's budget for the 2025-2026 fiscal year. Summaries of the District's Approved Budgets for the fiscal years 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 may be found in Appendix B, herein.

#### School Enrollment Trends

The following table presents the past and projected school enrollment for the District.

#### **School Enrollment Trends**

Fiscal Year	Actual Enrollment	Fiscal Year	Projected Enrollment <sup>(1)</sup>
2021-22	3,058	2026-27	2,942
2022-23	3,026	2027-28	2,897
2023-24	3,017	2028-29	2,873
2024-25	2,999	2029-30	2,850
2025-26	2,953	2030-31	2,830
2022-23 2023-24 2024-25	3,026 3,017 2,999	2027-28 2028-29 2029-30	2,897 2,873 2,850

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes District students who attend special education schools located outside of the District's boundaries. Source: District Officials.

#### District Facilities

The District operates the following facilities; statistics relating to each are shown below.

Name	Year <u>Originally Built</u>	Construction <u>Type</u>	Present Capacity
Munsey Park Elementary	1939	Masonry	868
Shelter Rock Elementary	1968	Masonry	811
Manhasset Jr/Sr High School	1935	Masonry	1,676
Administration Building	2017	Masonry	N/A

Source: District Officials.

# **Employees**

The District provides services through 521 employees who are represented by the following units of organized labor.

#### **Employees**

Number of Employees	Organization	Contract Expiration Date
303	Manhasset Education Association	6/30/2028
20	Administrative Supervisors	6/30/2029
172	Support Personnel	6/30/2027
26	Non-Union	N/A

Source: District Officials.

#### Employee Pension Benefits

New York State Certified employees (teachers and administrators) are members of the New York State Teachers Retirement System ("TRS"). Employer pension payments to the TRS are generally deducted from State aid payments. All non-NYS certified/civil service employees of the District eligible for pension or retirement benefits under the Retirement and Social Security Law of the State of New York are members of the New York State and Local Employee's Retirement System ("ERS"). Both the TRS and ERS are non-contributory with respect to members hired prior to July 1, 1976. Other than as discussed below, all members of the respective systems hired on or after July 1, 1976 with less than 10 year's full-time service contribute 3% of their gross annual salary toward the cost of retirement programs.

On December 10, 2009, the Governor signed in to law a new Tier 5. The law is effective for new ERS and TRS employees hired after January 1, 2010 and before March 31, 2012. Tier 5 ERS employees contribute 3% of their salaries and TRS employees contribute 3.5% of their salaries. There is no provision for these employee contributions to cease after a certain period of service.

On March 16, 2012, Governor Cuomo signed into law Chapter 18 of the Laws of 2012, which legislation provides for a new Tier 6 for employees hired after April 1, 2012. The new pension tier has progressive employee contribution rates between 3% and 6% and such employee contributions continue so long as the employee continues to accumulate pension credits; it increases the retirement age for new employees from 62 to 63 and includes provisions allowing early retirement with penalties. Under Tier 6, the pension multiplier will be 1.75% for the first 20 years of service and 2% thereafter; and the amount of overtime to be used to determine an employee's pension is capped at \$15,000, indexed for inflation, for civilian and non-uniform employees and at 15% of base pay for uniformed employees outside of New York City. As of April 9, 2022, Tier 5 and 6 members only need five years of service credit to be vested. Previously, Tier 5 and 6 members needed 10 years of service to be eligible for a service retirement benefit. It also includes a voluntary, portable, defined contribution plan option for new non-union employees with salaries of \$75,000 or more. As of April 20, 2024, the final average salary for Tier 6 members is based on the wages earned during any three consecutive years that provide the highest average salary. Previously, this was determined based on the five consecutive years that provided the highest average salary.

Under current law, the employer pension payments for a given fiscal year are based on the value of the pension fund on the prior April 1 thus enabling the District to more accurately include the cost of the employer pension payment in its budget for the ensuing year. In addition, the District is required to make a minimum contribution of 4.5% of payroll every year, including years in which the investment performance of the fund would make a lower payment possible. The annual employer pension payment is due on February 1 of each year.

From time to time, the State will permit, through the enactment of legislation, school districts to amortize a portion of its annual employer pension payment. Such programs have taken various forms with the goal of mitigating the impact of increases in employer contribution payments. The District did amortize certain portions of its pension obligations in the past which have since been repaid in full.

The State's 2019-2020 Enacted Budget, which was signed into law as Chapter 59 of the Laws of 2019, includes a provision that will allow school districts in the State to establish a reserve fund for the purpose of funding the cost of TRS contributions, as a sub-fund of retirement contribution reserve funds presently authorized for amounts payable to the ERS by a school district. School districts will be permitted to pay into such reserve fund during any particular fiscal year, an amount not to exceed two percent of the total compensation or salaries of all district-employed teachers who are members of the TRS paid during the immediately preceding fiscal year; provided that the balance of such fund may not exceed ten percent of the total compensation or salaries of all district-employed teachers who are members of the TRS paid during the immediately preceding fiscal year. The District has established such a fund and as of June 30, 2024, the TRS reserve was funded at \$750,000.

#### Other Post Employment Benefits

The District implemented GASB Statement No. 75 ("GASB 75") of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB"), which replaces GASB Statement No. 45 as of fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. GASB 75 requires state and local governments to account for and report their costs associated with post-retirement healthcare benefits and other non-pension benefits, known as other post-employment benefits ("OPEB"). GASB 75 generally requires that employers account for and report the annual cost of OPEB and the outstanding obligations and commitments related to OPEB similarly to GASB Statement No. 68 reporting requirements for pensions.

GASB 75 requires state and local governments to measure a defined benefit OPEB plan as the portion of the present value of projected benefit payments to be provided to current active and inactive employees, attributable to past periods of service in order to calculate the total OPEB liability. Total OPEB liability generally is required to be determined through an actuarial valuation using a measurement date that is no earlier than the end of the employer's prior fiscal year and no later than the end of the employer's current fiscal year.

GASB 75 requires that most changes in the OPEB liability be included in OPEB expense in the period of the changes. Based on the results of an actuarial valuation, certain changes in the OPEB liability are required to be included in OPEB expense over current and future years.

The District's total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2024 was \$140,441,955 using a discount rate of 3.93% and actuarial assumptions and other inputs as described in the District's June 30, 2024 audited financial statements.

Should the District be required to fund the total OPEB liability, it could have a material adverse impact upon the District's finances and could force the District to reduce services, raise taxes or both. At the present time, however, there is no current or planned requirement for the District to partially fund its OPEB liability.

At this time, New York State has not developed guidelines for the creation and use of irrevocable trusts for the funding of OPEB. As a result, the District will continue funding this expenditure on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Legislation has been introduced to create an optional investment pool to help the State and local governments fund retiree health insurance and OPEB. The proposed legislation would authorize the creation of irrevocable OPEB trusts so that the State and its local governments can help fund their OPEB liabilities, establish an OPEB investment fund in the sole custody of the State Comptroller for the investment of OPEB assets of the State and participating eligible local governments, designate the president of the Civil Service Commission as the trustee of the State's OPEB trust and the governing boards as trustee for local governments and allow school districts to transfer certain excess reserve balances to an OPEB trust once it is established. Under the proposed legislation, there would be no limits on how much a local government can deposit into the trust. The District cannot predict whether such legislation will be enacted into law in the foreseeable future.

#### Investment Policy Permittesd Investments

Pursuant to State law, including Sections 10 and 11 of the General Municipal Law (the "GML"), the District is generally permitted to deposit moneys in banks and trust company located and authorized to do business in the State. All such deposits, including special time deposit accounts and certificates of deposit, in excess of the amount insured under the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, are required to be secured in accordance with the provisions of and subject to the limitations of Section 10 of the GML.

The District may also temporarily invest moneys in: (1) obligations of the United States of America; (2) obligations guaranteed by agencies of the United States of America where the payment of principal and interest are guaranteed by the United States of America; (3) obligations of the State of New York; (4) with the approval of the New York State Comptroller, in tax anticipation notes or revenue anticipation notes issued by any municipality, school district, or district corporation, other than those bonds issued by the District; (5) certificates of participation issued by political subdivisions of the State pursuant to Section 109-b(10) of the GML; (6) obligations of a New York public benefit corporation which are made lawful investments for municipalities pursuant to the enabling statute of such public benefit corporation; or (7) in the case of moneys held in certain reserve funds established by the District pursuant to law, in obligations of the District.

All of the foregoing instruments and investments are required to be payable or redeemable at the option of the owner within such times as the proceeds will be needed to meet expenditures for purposes for which the moneys were provided and, in the case of instruments and investments purchased with the proceeds of bonds or notes, shall be payable or redeemable in any event, at the option of the owner, within two years of the date of purchase. Unless registered or inscribed in the name of the District, such instruments and investments must be purchased through, delivered to and held in custody of a bank or trust company in the State pursuant to a written custodial agreement as provided in Section 10 of the GML.

The Board of Education had adopted an investment policy and such policy conforms with applicable laws of the State governing the deposit and investment of public moneys. All deposits and investments of the District are made in accordance with such policy.

# **FINANCIAL FACTORS**

District finances are operated primarily through its General Fund. All taxes and most other revenues are paid into this fund and all current operating expenditures are made from it. A Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for the five-year period ending June 30, 2024 is contained in Appendix B. As reflected in Appendix B, the District derives the bulk of its annual revenues from a tax on real property. Capital improvements are generally financed by the issuance of bonds, bond anticipation notes and the use of funds reserved for capital improvements.

# Real Property Taxes

The District derives the major portion of its revenues from a tax on real property (See "Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance-General Fund" in Appendix B, herein). Chapter 97of the Laws of 2011, as amended, imposes a tax levy limitation upon the municipalities, school districts and fire districts in the State, including the District. (See "The Tax Levy Limit Law" herein). Property taxes accounted for 88.1% of total General Fund revenues for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, while State aid accounted for 5.2%.

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The following table sets forth total general fund revenues and real property tax revenues during the last five fiscal years, and the amounts budgeted for the two most recent fiscal years.

#### **Property Taxes**

		Real Property
Total	Real Property	Taxes to
Revenues <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>Taxes</u>	Revenues
\$ 98,649,474	\$87,647,531	88.9%
100,527,571	89,540,118	89.1
101,830,625	91,097,445	89.5
104,725,178	93,448,492	89.2
109,305,273	96,297,812	88.1
111,286,207	99,748,822	89.6
115,043,231	102,853,135	89.4
	Revenues <sup>(1)</sup> \$ 98,649,474 100,527,571 101,830,625 104,725,178 109,305,273 111,286,207	Revenues(1)         Taxes           \$ 98,649,474         \$87,647,531           100,527,571         89,540,118           101,830,625         91,097,445           104,725,178         93,448,492           109,305,273         96,297,812           111,286,207         99,748,822

<sup>(1)</sup> General Fund, inclusive of debt service payments received from the Manhasset Public Library.

Source: Audited Financial Statements and Approved Budgets of the District. See also "Budgetary Procedure" herein. Summary itself is not audited.

#### State Aid

The District receives appropriations from the State of State aid for operating, building and other purposes at various times throughout its fiscal year, pursuant to formulas and payment schedules set forth by statute. While the State has a constitutional duty to maintain and support a system of free common schools that provides a "sound basic education" to children of the State, there can be no assurance that the State appropriation for State aid to school districts will be continued in future years, either pursuant to existing formulas or in any form whatsoever. State aid appropriated and apportioned to the School Districts can be paid only if the State has such monies available for such payment.

The following table sets forth total general fund revenues and State aid revenues during the last five fiscal years, and the amounts budgeted for the two most recent fiscal years.

#### **State Aid**

Fiscal Year	Total <u>Revenues</u> <sup>(1)</sup>	Total <u>State Aid</u>	Percentage of Total Revenues <u>Consisting of State Aid</u>
2020	\$ 98,649,474	\$5,444,457	5.5%
2021	100,527,571	5,590,117	5.6
2022	101,830,625	5,415,666	5.3
2023	104,725,178	5,623,491	5.4
2024	109,305,273	5,646,125	5.2
2025 (Approved Budget)	111,286,207	5,610,725	5.0
2026 (Approved Budget)	115,043,231	5,715,522	5.0

<sup>(1)</sup> General Fund, inclusive of debt service payments received from the Manhasset Public Library.

Source: Audited Financial Statements and Approved Budgets of the District. See also "Budgetary Procedure" herein. Summary itself is not audited.

In addition to the amount of State Aid budgeted annually by the District, the State makes payments of STAR aid representing tax savings provided by school districts to their taxpayers under the STAR Program (See "STAR – School Tax Exemption" herein).

The State's 2021-22 Enacted Budget and the State's 2022-23 Enacted Budget included significant amounts of federal funding. The State receives a substantial amount of federal aid for health care, education, transportation and other governmental purposes, as well as federal funding to respond to, and recover from, severe weather events and other disasters. Many of the policies that drive federal aid may be subject to change under the federal administration and

Congress. Current federal aid projections, and the assumptions on which they rely, are subject to revision. Reductions in federal funding levels could have an a materially adverse impact on the State budget. To date, school districts have received significant funding because of the COVID-19 pandemic from federal stimulus packages and reinstatement of State Foundation Aid, however, the additional federal funding ceased after the 2023-24 fiscal year. As part of the 2025–26 Enacted State Budget, the Governor and Legislature made targeted adjustments to the Foundation Aid formula. While the formula itself remains largely intact, the budget includes a hold harmless provision ensuring that no district receives less Foundation Aid than in the prior year. Additionally, all districts are guaranteed at least a 2% year-over-year increase in Foundation Aid. The enacted budget also includes formula modifications intended to provide enhanced support for high-need and disadvantaged school districts.

The amount of State aid to school districts can vary from year to year and is dependent in part upon the financial condition of the State. During the 2011 to 2019 fiscal years of the State, State aid to school districts was paid in a timely manner; however, during the State's 2010 and 2020 fiscal years, State budgetary restrictions resulted in delayed payments of State aid to school districts in the State. In addition, the availability of State aid and the timeliness of payment of State aid to school districts could be affected by a delay in the adoption of the State budget, which is due at the start of the State's fiscal year of April 1. With the exception of the State's current fiscal year 2025-26 Enacted Budget (which was adopted on May 9, 2025, thirty-eight (38) days after the April 1 deadline), the State's fiscal year 2024-25 Enacted Budget (which was adopted on April 22, 2024, twenty-one (21) days after the April 1 deadline) and the State's fiscal year 2023-24 Enacted Budget (which was adopted on May 2, 2023, thirty-one (31) days after the April 1 deadline), the State's budget has been adopted by April 1 or shortly thereafter for over ten (10) years. No assurance can be given that the State will not experience delays in the adoption of the budget in future fiscal years. Significant delays in the adoption of the State budget could result in delayed payment of State aid to school districts in the State which could adversely affect the financial condition of school districts in the State.

In addition to the potential fiscal impact of policies that may be proposed and adopted by the federal administration and Congress, the State budget may be adversely affected by other actions taken by the federal government, including audits, disallowances, and changes to federal participation rates or other Medicaid rules.

There can be no assurance that the State's financial position will not change materially and adversely from current projections. If this were to occur, the State would be required to take additional gap-closing actions. Such actions may include, but are not limited to: reductions in State agency operations; delays or reductions in payments to local governments or other recipients of State aid including school districts in the State. Reductions in the payment of State aid could adversely affect the financial condition of school districts in the State, including the District.

Should the District fail to receive State aid expected from the State in the amounts and at the times expected, occasioned by a delay in the payment of such monies or by a mid-year reduction in State aid, the District is authorized by the Local Finance Law to provide operating funds by borrowing in anticipation of the receipt of uncollected State aid.

#### COVID-19 Stimulus and Uses

The District is eligible to receive approximately \$105,000 in CARES Act funds that offset COVID-19 related expenditures due to the pandemic. As of the date of this Official Statement, the District has received approximately \$59,000 of these funds. The District was allocated approximately \$1.21 million in additional Federal stimulus funding between the American Rescue Plan Act ("ARP") and the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act ("CRRSA") to address learning loss, mental health need and school building related expenditures to upgrade technology and support all students' academic needs. As of the date of this Official Statement, the District has received approximately \$740,270 of these funds. In addition, the District was seeking reimbursement from the Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") for COVID-19 related expenses. The District applied for approximately \$2,653,358 from FEMA, however, not all of the applications were approved. To date, the District has received \$1,567,382 from FEMA.

#### Events Affecting New York School Districts

School district fiscal year (2021-2022): For the 2021-2022 school year, the State's Enacted budget provided \$29.5 billion in State funding to school districts for the 2021-2022 school year through School Aid, the highest level of State aid ever, supporting the operational costs of school districts that educate 2.5 million students statewide. This

investment represented an increase of 11.3% (\$3.0 billion) compared to the 2020-2021 school year, including a \$1.4 billion (7.6%) Foundation Aid increase. The Enacted budget allocated \$13 billion of federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief and Governor's Emergency Education Relief funds to public schools. This funding, available for use over multiple years, helped schools safely reopen for in-person instruction, address learning loss, and respond to students' academic, social, and emotional needs due to the disruptions of the COVID19 pandemic. The Budget allocated \$629 million of these funds to school districts as targeted grants to support efforts to address learning loss through activities such as summer enrichment and comprehensive after-school programs. In addition, the Budget used \$105 million of federal funds to expand access to full-day prekindergarten programs for four-year-old children in school districts statewide in the 2021-2022 school year.

School district fiscal year (2022-2023): For the 2022-2023 school year, the State's Enacted provided \$31.3 billion in State funding to school districts for the 2022-23 school year the highest level of State aid ever. This represented a year-to-year funding increase of \$2.1 billion or 7.07%. and included \$21.4 billion of Foundation Aid which increased 8.1% from 2021-22. The 2022-23 school year increase in Foundation Aid primarily reflected the second year of the three-year phase-in of full funding of the current Foundation Aid formula. The Enacted Budget also increased the State's annual investment in prekindergarten to \$1.1 billion, an increase of \$125 million, or 13%. The Budget also included a total of \$100 million of matching funds over two years to be provided to school districts and BOCES with the highest needs to address student wellbeing and learning loss in response to the trauma brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic. This included support for extended school day or school year programs, afterschool programs, mental health professionals and other locally determined initiatives.

School district fiscal year (2023-2024): For the 2023-2024 school year, the Enacted Budget provided \$34.5 billion in State funding to school districts for the 2023-24 school year the highest level of State aid ever. This represented a year-to-year funding increase of \$3.1 billion or 10.00%. and includes \$24.1 billion of Foundation Aid which increased 12.8% from 2022-23. The 2022-23 school year increased in Foundation Aid is to complete the three-year phase-in of full funding of the current Foundation Aid formula. The Enacted Budget also increased the State's annual investment in pre-kindergarten to \$1.2 billion, an increase of \$125 million, or 9.09%. The Budget also included a total of \$20 million in grant funding to support the establishment of new early college high school programs.

School district fiscal year (2024-2025): For the 2024-2025 school year, the Enacted Budget provided \$35.9 billion in State funding to school districts for the 2024-25 school year, the highest level of State aid ever. This represented an increase of \$1.3 billion compared to the 2023-24 school year and included a \$934 million or 3.89 percent Foundation Aid increase. The State's 2024-25 Enacted Budget maintains the "save harmless" provision, which ensures a school district receives at least the same amount of Foundation Aid as it received in the prior year. The State's 2024-25 Enacted Budget also authorized a comprehensive study by the Rockefeller Institute and the State Department of Education to develop a modernized school funding formula.

School district fiscal year (2025-2026): For the 2025-2026 school year, the Enacted Budget provides \$37.6 billion in State funding to school districts, the highest level of State aid ever. This represented an increase of \$1.7 billion or 4.9 percent compared to the 2024-25 school year and includes a \$1.4 billion, or 5.9 percent, Foundation Aid increase. Although recommended to be phased-out in the previously mentioned report done by the Rockefeller Institute, the State's 2025-26 Enacted Budget maintains the "save harmless" provision, which ensures a school district receives at least the same amount of Foundation Aid as it received in the prior year. The State's 2025-26 Enacted Budget includes a 2% minimum increase in Foundation Aid to all school districts and makes a number of alterations to the Foundation Aid formula designed to reflect low-income student populations and provide additional aid to low-wealth school districts.

Provisions in the State's 2025-26 Enacted Budget grant the State Budget Director the authority to withhold all or some of the amounts appropriated therein, including amounts that are to be paid on specific dates prescribed in law or regulation (such as State aid) if, on a cash basis of accounting, a "general fund imbalance" has or is expected to occur in fiscal year 2025-26. Specifically, the State's 2025-26 Enacted Budget provides that a "general fund imbalance" has occurred, and the State Budget Director's powers are activated, if any State fiscal year 2025-26 quarterly financial plan update required by Subdivision 4 of Section 23 of the New York State Finance Law reflects, or if at any point during the final quarter of State fiscal year 2025-26 the State Budget Director projects, that estimated general fund receipts and/or estimated general fund disbursements have or will vary from the estimates included in the State's 2025-26 Enacted Budget financial plan required by sections 22 and 23 of the New York State Finance Law results in a

cumulative budget imbalance of \$2 billion or more. Any significant reductions or delays in the payment of State aid could adversely affect the financial condition of school districts in the State.

The District cannot predict at this time whether there will be any reductions in and/or delays in the receipt of State aid during the remainder of the current fiscal year or in future fiscal years. However, the District believes that it would mitigate the impact of any delays or the reduction in State aid by reducing expenditures, increasing revenues, appropriating other available funds on hand, and/or by any combination of the foregoing. (See also "Risk Factors" herein).

#### Other Revenues

In addition to property taxes and State aid, the District receives other revenues from miscellaneous sources as shown in Appendix B.

#### **Independent Audits**

Appendix B to the Official Statement presents excerpts from the District's most recent audited reports covering the last five fiscal years. In addition, the District is subject to periodic audit by the State Comptroller to review compliance with legal requirements and the rules and regulations established by the State.

# The State Comptroller's Fiscal Stress Monitoring System and Compliance Reviews

The New York State Comptroller has reported that New York State's school districts and municipalities are facing significant fiscal challenges. As a result, the Office of the State Comptroller ("OSC") has developed a Fiscal Stress Monitoring System ("FSMS") to provide independent, objectively measured and quantifiable information to school district and municipal officials, taxpayers and policy makers regarding the various levels of fiscal stress under which the State's school districts and municipalities are operating.

The fiscal stress scores are based on financial information submitted as part of each school district's ST-3 report filed with the State Education Department annually, and each municipality's annual report filed with the State Comptroller. Using financial indicators that include year-end fund balance, cash position and patterns of operating deficits, the system creates an overall fiscal stress score which classifies whether a school district or municipality is in "significant fiscal stress", in "moderate fiscal stress," as "susceptible to fiscal stress" or "no designation". Entities that do not accumulate the number of points that would place them in a stress category will receive a financial score but will be classified in a category of "no designation." This classification should not be interpreted to imply that the entity is completely free of fiscal stress conditions. Rather, the entity's financial information, when objectively scored according to the FSMS criteria, did not generate sufficient points to place them in one of the three established stress categories.

The most current applicable report of the State Comptroller designates the District as "No Designation."

The financial affairs of the District are subject to periodic compliance reviews by OSC to ascertain whether the District has complied with the requirements of various State and federal statutes. The most recent audit conducted by OSC was released on March 16, 2023. The purpose of the audit was to determine whether District officials appropriately tracked, inventoried and safeguarded information technology assets acquired or in use during the period July 1, 2019 through July 11, 2022. The complete report can be obtained from OSC's website.

See the State Comptroller's official website for more information. Reference to this website implies no warranty of accuracy of information therein. References to websites and/or website addresses presented herein are for informational purposes only. Unless specified otherwise, such websites and the information or links contained therein are not incorporated into, and are not part of, this Official Statement.

#### **TAX INFORMATION**

# Real Property Tax Assessments and Rates

The following table sets forth the assessed and full valuation of taxable real property, the District's real property tax levy, including taxes levied for library purposes, and rates of tax per \$1,000 assessed valuation for the last five fiscal years.

# Real Property Tax Assessments and Rates (Fiscal Years Ending June 30:)

	$2021^{(1)}$	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
Assessed Valuation	\$10,854,035	\$11,917,750	\$12,998,134	\$14,634,576	\$14,542,223
Equalization Rate	0.18%	0.18%	0.15%	0.15%	0.15%
Full Valuation	6,030,019,444	6,620,972,222	8,665,422,667	9,756,384,000	9,368,307,800
Tax Levy (2)	95,078,213(3)	97,653,976	99,957,977	104,563,819	108,824,435
Tax Rate Per \$1,000	8,759.71	8,193.99	7,690.18	7,144.98	7,483.34

- (1) Nassau County performed a reassessment of all property within the County.
- (2) Includes taxes assessed on behalf of the Manhasset Public Library.
- (3) The approved budget of the Manhasset Public Library for fiscal year 2020-2021 authorized a tax levy of \$5,403,412. In certifying the amount of taxes to be levied on behalf of the Library for fiscal year 2020-2021, the District omitted the sum of \$1,022,625 due to a clerical error. The lesser amount actually levied is reflected in this table. As a result, there was a shortfall in the amount of taxes collected in 2020-2021 on the Library's behalf. To correct the error and enable the Library to fund its approved budget, the District advanced the shortfall to the Library in 2020-2021. On May 18, 2021, the voters of the District approved for the Library to levy \$1,022,625 in fiscal year 2021-2022 in order to reimburse the money advanced by the District.

Source: New York State Office of Real Property Services and District Officials.

The District's 2025-2026 tax levy, inclusive of library taxes, is \$108,824,435. The total tax levy for the Manhasset Public Library for 2025-2026 is \$5,971,300.

#### Tax Limit

The Constitution does not limit the amount that may be raised by the District-wide tax levy on real estate in any fiscal year. (See, however, "*Tax Levy Limit Law*" herein).

#### The Tax Levy Limit Law

Chapter 97 of the New York Laws of 2011, as amended, (herein referred to as the "Tax Levy Limit Law" or "Law") modified previous law by imposing a limit on the amount of real property taxes that a school district may levy.

Prior to the enactment of the Law, there was no statutory limitation on the amount of real property taxes that a school district could levy if its budget had been approved by a simple majority of its voters. In the event the budget had been defeated by the voters, the school district was required to adopt a contingency budget. Under a contingency budget, school budget increases were limited to the lesser of four percent (4%) of the prior year's budget or one hundred twenty percent (120%) of the consumer price index ("CPI").

Under the Tax Levy Limit Law, there is now a limitation on the amount of tax levy growth from one fiscal year to the next. Such limitation is the lesser of (i) 2% or (ii) the annual percentage increase in the consumer price index, subject to certain exclusions as mentioned below and as described in the Law. A budget with a tax levy that does not exceed such limit will require approval by at least 50% of the voters. Approval by at least 60% of the voters will be required for a budget with a tax levy in excess of the limit. In the event the voters reject the budget, the tax levy for the school district's budget for the ensuing fiscal year may not exceed the amount of the tax levy for the prior fiscal year. School districts will be permitted to carry forward a certain portion of their unused tax levy limitation from a prior year.

The Law permits certain significant exclusions to the tax levy limit for school districts. These include taxes to pay the local share of debt service on bonds or notes issued to finance voter approved capital expenditures, such as the Bonds and the BANs, and the refinancing or refunding of such bonds or notes, certain pension cost increases, and other items enumerated in the Law. However, such exclusion does NOT apply to taxes to pay debt service on tax anticipation notes, such as the TANs, revenue anticipation notes, budget notes and deficiency notes; and any obligations issued to finance deficits and certain judgments, including tax certiorari refund payments.

#### STAR - School Tax Exemption

The STAR (School Tax Relief) program provides State-funded exemptions from school property taxes to homeowners for their primary residences. Homeowners over 65 years of age with household adjusted gross incomes, less the taxable amount of total distributions from individual retirement accounts and individual retirement annuities ("STAR Adjusted Gross Income") of \$86,000 or less, increased annually according to a cost of living adjustment, are eligible for a "full value" exemption of the first \$65,300 for the 2016-17 school year (adjusted annually). Other homeowners with household STAR Adjusted Gross income not in excess of \$500,000 are eligible for a \$30,000 "full value" exemption on their primary residence. School districts receive full reimbursement from the State for real property taxes exempted pursuant to the STAR program by the first business day in January of each year.

Part A of Chapter 60 of the Laws of 2016 of the State of New York ("Chapter 60") gradually converts the STAR program from a real property tax exemption to a personal income tax credit. Chapter 60 prohibits new STAR exemptions from being granted unless at least one of the applicants held title to the property on the taxable status date of the assessment roll that was used to levy school district taxes for the 2015-2016 school year (generally, March 1, 2015), and the property was granted a STAR exemption on that assessment roll. However, a new homeowner may receive a new personal income tax credit in the form of a check. The dollar benefit to eligible taxpayers will not change. A taxpayer who is eligible for the new credit will receive a check from the State equal to the amount by which the STAR exemption would have reduced his or her school tax bill. A homeowner who owned his or her home on the taxable status date for the assessment roll used to levy taxes for the 2015-2016 school year, and who received a STAR exemption on that roll, may continue to receive a STAR exemption on that home as long as he or she still owns and primarily resides in it. No further action is required (unless the homeowner has been receiving Basic STAR and wants to apply for Enhanced STAR, which is permissible).

The State 2017-18 Enacted Budget included changes to Chapter 60. STAR checks are now expected to be mailed out prior to the date that school taxes are payable. The amount of the check will be based on the previous year's amount adjusted by the levy growth factor used for the property tax cap. Any changes that must be made based on the final STAR credit compared to the estimate used will be factored into the subsequent year's STAR credit check or taxpayers also may account for those changes in their State income taxes.

The 2019-2020 Enacted State Budget makes several changes to the STAR program, which went into effect immediately. The changes are intended to encourage home owners to switch from the STAR exemption to the STAR credit. The income limit for the exemption has been lowered to \$250,000, compared with a \$500,000 limit for the credit. The amount of the STAR exemption will remain the same each year, while the amount of the STAR credit can increase up to two percent annually.

The State's 2020-21 Enacted Budget withholds STAR benefits to taxpayers who are delinquent in the payment of their school taxes and maintains the income limit for the exemption to \$250,000, compared with a \$500,000 limit for the credit.

Approximately 0.66% of the District's 2024-2025 school tax levy was exempted by the STAR program and the District has received full reimbursement of such exempt taxes from the State. Approximately 0.64% of the District's 2025-2026 school tax levy is expected to be exempted by the STAR program and the District expects to receive full reimbursement of such exempt taxes from the State by January 31, 2026. (See "State Aid" herein).

#### Tax Collection Procedure

In Nassau County, property taxes for the school districts are levied by the County, and are collected by the town tax receivers. Such taxes are due and payable in equal installments on October 1 and April 1, but may be paid without penalty by November 10 and May 10, respectively. The town tax receiver pays to each school district the amounts

collected therefor on the first day of each month from October 1 to June 1. Penalties on unpaid taxes are 1% per month from the date such taxes are due and payable. A 1% discount for prepayment of second half taxes is given if received by November 10. Any such discount is a town charge.

On or before June 1, the town tax receiver files a report of any uncollected school district taxes with the County. The County thereafter on or before June 15 pays to each school district the amount of its uncollected taxes. Thus, each school district should receive its full levy prior to the end of its fiscal year. However, in some recent years, the District has experienced delays in its receipt of uncollected school district taxes from the County. In such years, the District received its payments in July and August, the first months of its subsequent fiscal year.

#### Tax Collection Record

#### **Tax Collection**

Fiscal Year (ended June 30):	Gross Levy <sup>(1)</sup>	Amount Uncollected at End of Year	Amount Reported Unpaid to County <sup>(2)</sup>
2021	\$ 93,920,905	\$1,753,079	\$1,753,079(3)
2022	97,624,284	1,727,698	$1,727,698^{(4)}$
2023	99,005,224	1,690,157	$1,690,157^{(5)}$
2024	102,052,524	1,554,152	$2,399,615^{(6)}$
2025	105.591.569	1.640.506	

- (1) Includes library tax and PILOT payments.
- (2) See "Tax Collection Procedure" herein.
- (3) The County paid the District \$1,753,079 on August 23, 2021.
- (4) The County paid the District \$1,727,698 on September 2, 2022.
- (5) The County paid the District \$1,690,157 on August 20, 2023.
- (6) The County paid the District \$1,554,152 on August 23, 2024.

Source: District Officials.

#### Ten of the Largest Taxpayers

The following table presents the taxable assessments of ten of the District's largest taxpayers for the 2024-2025 fiscal year.

#### **Taxable Assessments**

	Nature of	Assessed	% of Total
<u>Taxpayer</u>	Business	<u>Valuation</u>	Assessed Value
Fifth Avenue of LI Realty Assoc.	Real Estate	\$1,112,447	7.65%
Keyspan Gas East Corp.	Utility	573,135	3.94
KMO-361 Realty Assoc.	Real Estate	448,366	3.08
Manhasset Ventury, LLC	Real Estate	335,436	2.31
HPIII NY 1010 LLC	Office Building	315,659	2.17
Federated Stores Inc.	Retail	314,792	2.17
KIR Munsey Park 020 LLC	Real Estate	190,646	1.31
Centre Manhasset LLC	Commercial	165,120	1.14
MMM Capital LLC	Commercial	152,699	1.05
One Thousand Northern of NY	Office Building	126,962	0.87
	Totals:	\$3,735,262	<u>25.69%</u>

<sup>(1)</sup> The District's total assessed valuation for the 2024-2025 fiscal year was \$14,542,223.

Source: District Officials.

#### **DISTRICT INDEBTEDNESS**

#### Constitutional Requirements

The New York State Constitution limits the power of the District (and other municipalities and other school districts of the State) to issue obligations and to otherwise contract indebtedness. Such constitutional and statutory limitations include the following, in summary form, and are generally applicable to the District.

**Purpose and Pledge** The District shall not give or loan any money or property to or in aid of any individual or private corporation or private undertaking or give or loan its credit to or in aid of any of the foregoing or any public corporation.

The District may contract indebtedness only for a District purpose and shall pledge its faith and credit for the payment of principal of and interest thereon.

Payment and Maturity Except for certain short-term indebtedness contracted in anticipation of taxes or to be paid in one of the two fiscal years immediately succeeding the fiscal year in which such indebtedness was contracted; indebtedness shall be paid in annual installments commencing no later than two years after the date such indebtedness shall have been contracted and ending no later than the period of probable usefulness of the object or purpose determined by statute or the weighted average maturity of the several objects or purposes for which such indebtedness is to be contracted; no installment may be more than fifty per centum in excess of the smallest prior installment, unless the District has authorized the issuance of indebtedness having substantially level or declining annual debt service. The District is required to provide an annual appropriation for the payment of interest due during the year on its indebtedness and for the amounts required in such year for amortization and redemption of its serial bonds, bond anticipation notes and capital notes.

General. The District is further subject to constitutional limitation by the general constitutionally imposed duty on the State Legislature to restrict the power of taxation and contracting indebtedness to prevent abuses in the exercise of such power; however, the State Legislature is prohibited by a specific constitutional provision from restricting the power of the District to levy taxes on real estate for the payment of interest on or principal of indebtedness theretofore contracted. There is no constitutional limitation on the amount that may be raised by the District by tax on real estate in any fiscal year to pay principal of and interest on all indebtedness. However, the Tax Levy Limit Law imposes a statutory limitation on the power of the District to increase its annual tax levy. The amount of such increases is limited by the formulas set forth in such law, with the amount of such increase limited by the formulas set forth in the Tax Levy Limit Law. The Tax Levy Limit Law also provides the procedural method to overcome that limitation. (See "The Tax Levy Limit Law" herein).

#### Statutory Procedure

In general, the State Legislature has, by enactment of the Local Finance Law, authorized the power and procedure for the District to borrow and incur indebtedness subject, of course, to the constitutional and provisions set forth above. The power to spend money, however, generally derives from other law, including the Education Law.

The District is generally required by such laws to submit propositions for the expenditure of money for capital purposes to the qualified electors of the District. Upon approval thereby, the Board of Education may adopt a bond resolution authorizing the issuance of bonds and notes in anticipation of the bonds. With respect to certain school building construction projects, the District is not permitted to spend in excess of \$100,000 for construction costs until the plans and specifications for such project have been approved by the Commissioner of Education of the State.

The Board of Education, as the finance board of the District, has the power to enact tax anticipation note resolutions. Such resolutions may authorize the issuance of tax anticipation notes in an aggregate principal amount necessary to fund anticipated cash flow deficits but in no event exceeding the amount of real property taxes levied or to be levied by the District, less any tax anticipation notes previously issued and less the amount of such taxes, previously received by the District.

The Local Finance Law also provides a twenty-day statute of limitations after publication of a bond resolution, together with a statutory form of notice which, in effect, stops legal challenges to the validity of obligations authorized

by such bond resolution except for alleged constitutional violations. It is a procedure that is recommended by Bond Counsel, but it is not an absolute legal requirement. Except on rare occasion, the District complies with this estoppel procedure.

The Board of Education, as the finance board of the District, also has the power to authorize the sale and issuance of bonds and notes, including the Bonds and the Notes. However, such finance board may delegate the power to sell its notes and bonds to the President of the Board of Education, the chief fiscal officer of the District, pursuant to the Local Finance Law.

Debt Limit. Pursuant to the Local Finance Law, the District has the power to contract indebtedness for any District purpose authorized by the Legislature of the State of New York provided the aggregate amount thereof shall not exceed ten per centum of the full valuation of taxable real estate of the District and subject to certain enumerated exclusions and deductions such as State aid for building purposes. The constitutional and statutory method for determining full valuation consists of taking the assessed valuation of taxable real estate for the last completed assessment roll and applying thereto the ratio (equalization rate) which such assessed valuation bears to the full valuation; such ration is determined by the State Board of Real Property Services. The State Legislature is required to prescribe the manner by which such ratio shall be determined by such authority.

#### Statutory Debt Limit and Net Indebtedness

The debt limit of the District is \$936,830,780, as of August 5, 2025. This is calculated by taking 10% of the current full value of the taxable real property of the District.

#### **Statutory Debt Limit and Net Indebtedness**

Full Valuation of Taxable Real Property		\$9,368,307,800
Debt Limit (10% of Full Valuation)		936,830,780
Outstanding Indebtedness <sup>(1)</sup> (Principal Only):		
Bonds <sup>(2)</sup>	\$16,045,000	
Bond Anticipation Notes <sup>(3)</sup>	18,800,000	
Gross Indebtedness		34,845,000
Less: Exclusions		0
Total Net Indebtedness		\$ 34,845,000
Net Debt-Contracting Margin		<u>\$ 901,985,780</u>
Percentage of Debt-Contracting Margin Exhausted		<u>3.72%</u>

- (1) Tax anticipation notes, revenue anticipation notes and energy performance contracts are not included in the computation of the statutory debt limit of the District. (See "Revenue Anticipation Notes," "Tax Anticipation Notes" and "Energy Performance Contract" herein).
- (2) A portion of the District's outstanding bonded indebtedness in the amount of \$3,740,000 was issued to fund the construction of a new library in the District. The District levies taxes on behalf of the Manhasset Public Library to pay debt service on the bonds issued on behalf of the library.
- (3) The proceeds from the sale of the Bonds, together with a portion of the proceeds from the sale of the BANs in the amount of \$6,625,000 and \$175,000 in available funds will be used to redeem these notes in full at maturity.

Source: District Officials.

# Tax Anticipation Notes

In common with other school districts in the State, the District finds it necessary to borrow in anticipation of the receipt of its tax levy. In the past, the District has paid all notes on their due date. The following is a history of the District's tax anticipation note borrowing during the last five fiscal years.

#### **Tax Anticipation Notes**

Fiscal Year ended June 30:	<u>Amount</u>	Issue Date	Maturity Date
2021	\$12,000,000	10/13/20	06/24/21
2022	12,500,000	09/24/21	06/23/22
2023	9,000,000	10/05/22	12/29/22
2024	7,000,000	08/31/23	06/21/24
2025	10,500,000	08/29/24	06/20/25

Source: District Officials.

# Revenue Anticipation Notes

The District has not found it necessary to issue revenue anticipation notes in recent years.

# **Bond Anticipation Notes**

On August 29, 2024, the District issued its \$18,800,000 Bond Anticipation Notes – 2024 which mature on August 29, 2025. The proceeds from the sale of the Bonds, together with a portion of the proceeds from the sale of the BANs in the amount of \$6,625,000 and \$175,000 in available funds will be used to redeem these notes in full at maturity.

# Trend of Capital Indebtedness

The following table sets forth the amount of direct capital indebtedness outstanding for each of the last five fiscal years as of June 30 of each respective year.

Direct	Capital	Indebtedness	Outstanding <sup>(1)</sup>
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	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u> <sup>(2)</sup>
Bonds Bond Anticipation Notes	\$24,990,000 <u>0</u>	\$22,295,000 <u>0</u>	\$19,490,000 <u>0</u>	\$17,800,000 <u>11,000,000</u>	\$16,045,000 18,800,000
Totals:	<u>\$24,990,000</u>	\$22,295,000	\$19,490,000	\$28,800,000	\$34,845,000

<sup>(1)</sup> Exclusive of refunded bonds and Energy Performance Contract obligations of the District. (See "Energy Performance Contract" herein).

Source: Audited Financial Statements of the District and District Officials. Summary itself is not audited.

<sup>(2)</sup> Unaudited.

#### Overlapping and Underlying Debt

In addition to the District, other political subdivisions have the power to issue bonds and to levy taxes or cause taxes to be levied on taxable real property in the District. The real property taxpayers of the District are responsible for a proportionate share of outstanding debt obligations of these subdivisions. Such taxpayers' share of overlapping and underlying debt is based on the amount of the District's equalized property values taken as a percentage of each separate unit's total values. The following table presents the amount of overlapping and underlying debt and the District's share of this debt. Authorized but unissued debt has not been included.

#### **Statement of Direct and Overlapping Indebtedness**

<u>Issuer</u>	Net Debt Outstanding	As of:	District <u>Share</u>	Amount Applicable <u>To District</u>
Nassau County	\$2,892,383,000	03/31/25	2.7%	\$ 78,094,341
North Hempstead Town	347,503,527	06/25/25	10.8	37,530,381
Various Villages (1)	1,775,000	05/31/24	100.0	1,775,000
Manhasset-Lakeville Fire District	0	12/31/23	55.0	0
Total Net Overlapping Debt				\$117,399,722
Total Net Direct Debt (2)				34,845,000
Net Direct and Overlapping Debt				\$152,244,722

<sup>(1)</sup> The Villages include: Flower Hill, Munsey Park, North Hills, Plandome, Plandome Heights and Plandome Manor.

Source: Data provided by County, Town and Village officials.

#### Debt Ratios

The following table presents certain debt ratios relating to the District's direct and overlapping indebtedness.

#### **Debt Ratios**

		Debt Per	Debt to
	<u>Amount</u>	Capita <sup>(1)</sup>	Full Value <sup>(2)</sup>
Net Direct Debt	\$ 34,845,000	\$ 2,077	0.37%
Net Direct and Overlapping Debt	152,244,722	9,076	1.63

- (1) The population of the District is estimated by the U.S. Census Bureau to be approximately 16,775 as of 2023.
- (2) The District's full value of taxable real property for the 2024-2025 fiscal year is \$9,368,307,800.

#### Authorized and Unissued Indebtedness

On January 5, 2023, the Board of Education of the District adopted a bond resolution, following approval of a proposition by a majority of the voters of the District voting and present at a Special District Meeting held on December 8, 2022, authorizing the issuance of up to \$43,926,484 serial bonds by the District to finance the construction of improvements and alterations to all District school buildings and the sites thereof. Following the issuance of the Bonds and the BANs, there will be no remaining authorized and unissued pursuant to this authorization. (See "Authority for and Purpose of the Bonds" and "Authority for and Purpose of the BANs" herein.)

#### **Debt Service Schedule**

The following table shows the debt service requirements to maturity on the District's outstanding bonded indebtedness for fiscal years ending June 30, exclusive of refunded bonds.

Bond Principal and Interest Maturity Table					
Fiscal Year			Total	% of Principal	
Ending June 30:	<u>Principal</u>	Interest <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>Debt Service</u>	Retired	
(2)					
$2026^{(2)}$	\$ 1,825,000	\$ 496,969	\$ 2,321,969	11.37%	
2027	1,880,000	429,894	2,309,894	23.09	
2028	1,960,000	359,813	2,319,813	35.31	
2029	2,020,000	291,463	2,311,463	47.90	
2030	1,045,000	245,888	1,290,888	54.41	
2031	1,010,000	217,756	1,227,756	60.70	
2032	1,045,000	190,269	1,235,269	67.22	
2033	1,080,000	158,475	1,238,475	73.95	
2034	1,110,000	125,256	1,235,256	80.87	
2035	1,145,000	90,663	1,235,663	88.00	
2036	1,180,000	54,672	1,234,672	95.36	
2037	745,000	<u>17,413</u>	762,413	100.00	
Totals:	<u>\$16,045,000</u>	<u>\$2,678,531</u>	<u>\$18,723,531</u>		

<sup>(1)</sup> Amounts are rounded.

Source: Audited Financial Statements of the District and District Officials. Summary itself is not audited.

# **Energy Performance Contract**

The following table shows the debt service requirements to maturity on the District's outstanding energy performance contract.

# Energy Performance Contract Principal and Interest Maturity Table

Fiscal Year Ending June 30:	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	Total <a href="Debt Service">Debt Service</a>
$2026^{(1)}$	\$ 407,953	\$ 307,696	\$ 715,649
2027	424,975	290,674	715,649
2028	442,708	272,941	715,649
2029	461,180	254,469	715,649
2030	480,423	235,226	715,649
2031	500,470	215,179	715,649
2032	521,353	194,296	715,649
2033	543,107	172,542	715,649
2034	565,769	149,880	715,649
2035	589,376	126,273	715,649
2036	613,969	101,680	715,649
2037	639,588	76,061	715,649
2038	666,275	49,374	715,649
2039	694,077	21,572	715,649
Totals:	<u>\$7,551,223</u>	\$2,467,863	\$10,019,086

(1) For the entire fiscal year.

Source: Audited Financial Statements of the District. Summary itself is not audited.

<sup>(2)</sup> For the entire fiscal year.

### **ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC DATA**

## **Population**

The following table presents population trends for the District, Town, County and State, based upon census data.

### **Population Trend**

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2020</u>	Percentage Change 2010/2020
District	16,169	17,072	5.6%
Town	226,322	237,639	5.0
County	1,339,532	1,395,774	4.2
State	19,378,102	20,201,249	4.2

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau.

#### Income

The following table presents median family income for the Town, County and State. Data provided for the Town, County and State are not necessarily representative of the District.

### **Median Household Income**

			Percentage Change
	<u>2010</u>	<u>2020</u>	2010/2020
Town	\$104,264	\$130,551	25.2%
County	90,294	120,036	32.9
State	49,781	71,117	42.9

Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

### **Employment and Unemployment**

The following tables provide information concerning employment and unemployment in the Town, County and State. Data provided for the Town, County and State are not necessarily representative of the District.

### **Civilian Labor Force**

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Town	115,200	115,600	118,000	119,600	117,500
County	712,700	713,300	727,400	737,100	702,200
State	9,564,400	9,533,000	9,595,800	9,717,800	9,834,600

Source: New York State Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. Information not seasonally adjusted.

Unemployment rates are not compiled for the District, but are available for the Town, County and State. Data provided in the following table is not necessarily representative of the District.

Yearly Average Unemployment Rates

<u>Year</u>	<u>Town</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>State</u>
2020	7.4%	8.0%	9.8%
2021	4.1	4.5	7.1
2022	2.7	2.9	4.3
2023	2.9	3.1	4.2
2024	3.0	3.3	4.3

Source: New York State Department Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

### **Monthly Unemployment Rates**

<u>Month</u>	<u>Town</u>	County	State
July 2024	3.4%	3.7%	4.8%
August	3.3	3.6	4.8
September	2.7	3.0	4.0
October	2.7	3.0	4.2
November	2.7	3.0	4.2
December	2.6	3.0	4.2
January 2025	3.2	3.5	4.6
February	3.4	3.8	4.3
March	3.1	3.3	4.1
April	2.4	2.6	3.7
May	2.4	2.7	3.5
June	2.7	2.9	3.8

Source: New York State Department of Labor statistics. Information not seasonally adjusted.

End of Appendix A

# **APPENDIX B**

# FINANCIAL STATEMENT SUMMARIES

### MANHASSET UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Statement of Budgeted Revenues and Expenditures - General Fund Fiscal Year Ending June 30:

	Approved	Approved
	Budget	Budget
	2024-2025 <sup>(2)</sup>	$2025 - 2026^{(2)}$
Revenues:		
Real Property Taxes, including STAR <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 99,748,822	\$ 102,853,135
Other Tax Items, primarily LIPA PILOTs <sup>(3)</sup>	1,610,567	1,643,079
State Aid	5,610,725	5,715,522
Total Other Revenue	2,448,077	2,701,054
Transfer From Reserves	-	382,691
Transfer from Library for Debt Service	1,027,750	1,027,750
Assigned Fund Balance	840,266	720,000
Total Revenues	\$111,286,207	\$115,043,231
<b>Expenditures:</b>		
General Support	\$ 10,839,696	\$ 11,602,208
Instruction	61,804,104	63,124,366
Transportation	5,704,656	6,104,735
Employee Benefits	28,228,271	28,320,301
Transfers	4,503,480	5,516,621
Debt Service - TAN	206,000	375,000
Total Expenditures	\$ 111,286,207	\$ 115,043,231

- (1) The budget for the 2024-2025 fiscal year was approved by the voters of the District on May 21, 2024.
- (2) The budget for the 2025-2026 fiscal year was approved by the voters of the District on May 20, 2025.
- (3) Inclusive of Library Tax Levy and after the reclassification of the LIPA PILOTs as discussed herein.

Source: Approved Budgets of the District.

# MANHASSET UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

# Comparative Balance Sheet - General Fund Fiscal Years Ended June 30:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Assets:	<b>***</b>	<b>4.5</b> 0.64 0.54
Unrestricted Cash	\$11,142,756	\$15,861,071
Restricted Cash	2,814,983	10,176,036
Taxes Receivable	1,690,157	1,554,152
Due From Other Governments	1,486,002	1,411,807
Due From Other Funds	799,250	1,197,838
Due From Fiduciary Funds	0	0
Accounts Receivable	87,763	154,983
Prepaid Expenditures	0	(22.254
State and Federal Aid Receivable	821,944	632,254
Total Assets	\$18,842,855	\$30,988,141
Liabilities and Fund Equity:		
Accounts Payable	\$3,708,939	\$6,673,597
Accrued Liabilities	631,033	184,847
Due to Other Governments	236,183	352,581
Due to Other Funds	36,739	5,878,949
Due to Fiduciary Funds	0	0
Due to Retirement Systems	5,655,311	5,425,406
Compensated Absences	126,614	0
Collections in Advance	0	0
Deferred Inflows	0	0
Other	0	356,734
Tax Anticipation Notes	0	0
Total Liabilities	\$10,394,819	\$18,872,114
Fund Balance:		
Nonspendable	\$0	\$0
Restricted	2,814,983	5,771,782
Assigned	1,323,233	1,892,797
Unassigned	4,309,820	4,451,448
Total Fund Equity	8,448,036	12,116,027
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	\$18,842,855	\$30,988,141

Source: Audited Financial Statements of the District. Summary itself is not audited.

### MANHASSET UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Fiscal Year Ended June 30:

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
OPENING FUND BALANCE	\$11,055,844	\$15,154,245	\$9,658,243	\$7,523,608	\$8,448,036
REVENUES:					
Real Property Taxes	\$87,647,531	\$89,540,118	\$91,097,445	\$93,448,492	\$96,297,812
Other Tax Items, primarily STAR	2,919,654	2,819,138	2,626,350	2,693,964	2,426,145
Charges for Services	1,085,517	1,182,433	1,181,969	1,187,411	1,189,022
Use of Money and Property	241,341	24,020	12,033	206,079	960,740
Sale of Property and					
Compensation for Loss	165,043	0	153,806	43,974	24,667
Miscellaneous	81,365	273,833	249,628	265,614	340,339
Library Debt Service Reimbursement	0	1,022,625	1,023,000	1,026,500	1,023,125
Interfund Revenues	1,013,104	0	0	0	0
State Sources	5,444,457	5,590,117	5,415,666	5,623,491	5,646,125
Medicaid Reimbursement	24,432	15,076	24,047	23,870	0
Federal Sources	27,030	60,211	46,681	205,783	1,397,298
Total Revenues	\$98,649,474	\$100,527,571	\$101,830,625	\$104,725,178	\$109,305,273
Balance and Revenues	109,705,318	115,681,816	111,488,868	112,248,786	117,753,309
<b>Employee Benefits</b>					
General Support	\$9,678,095	\$11,813,818	\$11,150,833	\$11,165,252	\$11,274,106
Instruction	53,671,059	56,930,537	56,541,809	57,639,819	59,260,863
Pupil Transportation	4,160,134	4,615,094	5,058,110	5,524,972	5,351,577
Employee Benefits	22,100,785	22,946,036	23,988,532	25,310,434	25,578,193
Debt Service	61,603	48,640	16,032	71,700	281,944
Total Expenditures	\$89,671,676	\$96,354,125	\$96,755,316	\$99,712,177	\$101,746,683
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):					
Premiums on Obligations	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$230,590
Operating Transfers In	0	0	0	0	57,024
Operating Transfers (Out)	(4,879,397)	(9,669,448)	(7,209,944)	(4,088,573)	(4,178,213)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(4,879,397)	(9,669,448)	(7,209,944)	(4,088,573)	(3,890,599)
Balance before adjustments	\$15,154,245	\$9,658,243	\$7,523,608	\$8,448,036	\$12,116,027
Changes in Reserves	0	0	0	0	0
CLOSING FUND BALANCE	\$15,154,245	\$9,658,243	\$7,523,608	\$8,448,036	\$12,116,027

Source: Audited Financial Statements of the District. Summary itself is not audited.

# APPENDIX C

# **CASH FLOW STATEMENTS**

#### Manhasset Union Free School District Actual Cash Flow - Fiscal Year 2024-25

MONTH	JULY	AUG	<u>SEPT</u>	ост	NOV	DEC	<u>JAN</u>	FEB	MAR	<u>APRIL</u>	MAY	JUNE	TOTAL
BALANCE (Beginning) (1)	\$ 17,225,637 \$	11,142,660 \$	18,289,334 \$	11,477,249 \$	8,626,307 \$	32,758,449	32,043,360 \$	27,253,332 \$	21,091,353 \$	14,972,732	\$ 12,909,510 \$	23,551,441 \$	17,225,637
RECEIPTS:													
Property Taxes (2)	\$ - \$	1,672,877 \$	- \$	5,880,000 \$	33,765,604 \$	9,407,641 \$	3,910,000 \$	- \$	- \$	5,728,500	\$ 27,230,140 \$	4,622,842 \$	92,217,604
PILOTs	-	-	-	-	-	700,252	-	21,266	15,772	-	-	1,257,531	1,994,820
Star Aid	-	-	-	-	-	-	656,753	-	-	-	-	-	656,753
Federal & State Aid	233,402	339,302	175,802	23,909	28,342	1,134,073	439,681	663,035	1,407,298	11,609	21,609	279,011	4,757,074
Other Receipts	393,002	654,101	310,007	38,646	63,154	77,529	353,732	570,415	377,499	1,645,812	711,519	3,532,638	8,728,054
Interest	86,759	61,228	65,848	52,495	15,203	154,228	69,428	117,511	45,332	73,996	59,796	101,872	903,697
Transfers	-	-	939,250	10,000	-	-	-	6,000	88,500	-	-	-	1,043,750
Library Taxes	-	-	-	-	1,694,397	1,749,318	-	-	-	301,500	1,444,977	652,556	5,842,747
Note Proceeds - TANS		10,567,410	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,567,410
Total Receipts	\$ 713,162 \$	3 13,294,918 \$	1,490,907 \$	6,005,050 \$	35,566,701 \$	13,223,042 \$	5 5,429,594 \$	1,378,227 \$	1,934,401 \$	7,761,417	\$ 29,468,041 \$	10,446,451 \$	126,711,909
Total Receips+Balance	17,938,799	24,437,578	19,780,241	17,482,299	44,193,008	45,981,491	37,472,954	28,631,559	23,025,754	22,734,149	42,377,550	33,997,891	143,937,546
DISBURSEMENTS: Salary & Benefits Operating Expenses Debt Service Transfers TAN Principal Payment TAN Interest Payments Library Payments	\$ 2,540,490 \$ 3,768,754 486,895	4,059,567 \$ 1,601,782 - - - - 486,895	5,454,758 \$ 1,422,090 939,250 486,895	5,996,143 \$ 2,272,953 - 100,000 - 486,895	8,308,954 \$ 2,429,675 59,034 150,000 - 486,895	7,448,791 \$ 5,452,583 399,863 150,000 486,895	5 5,749,662 \$ 3,833,066 - 150,000 - 486,895	5,968,298 \$ 505,012 - 580,000 - 486,895	5,775,410 \$ 1,702,217 88,500 - - 486,895	6,523,062 1,660,648 404,034 750,000 - 486,895	\$ 6,222,852 \$ 4,686,770	9,976,199 \$ 3,620,855 783,562 1,047,000 4,622,842 339,500 486,902	74,024,185 32,956,405 3,076,678 4,077,000 10,500,000 339,500 5,842,747
Total Disbursements	\$ 6,796,139 \$	6,148,244 \$	8,302,992 \$	8,855,991 \$	11,434,559 \$	13,938,131 \$	5 10,219,622 \$	7,540,206 \$	8,053,022 \$	9,824,639	\$ 18,826,110 \$	20,876,860 \$	130,816,515
Balance (ending)	\$ 11,142,660 \$	18,289,334 \$	11,477,249 \$	8,626,307 \$	32,758,449 \$	32,043,360 \$	27,253,332 \$	21,091,353 \$	14,972,732 \$	12,909,510	\$ 23,551,441 \$	13,121,031 \$	13,121,031
NOTE PAYMENT ACCOUNT (3) Balance (Beginning)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,877,158	\$0
,,	\$0 0	\$0 0		\$0 0	\$0 0	\$0 0		\$0 0		\$0 0		\$5,877,158 4,622,842	\$0 10,500,000
Receipts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,877,158 0		
Disbursements		•										10,500,000	10,500,000
Balance (Ending)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,877,158	\$0	\$0

<sup>(1)</sup> Balance as of June 30, 2024. Exclusive of all General Fund Restricted Reserves.

Inclusive of \$1,672,877 of prior year's taxes received in August 2024.

<sup>(3)</sup> Note Payment Account transactions reflect amounts set aside to pay the principal of tax anticipation notes due in 2024-2025 at their maturity.

Interest on such notes is not reflected in the Note Payment Account, but is recorded as a Note Interest Payment Disbursement in the schedule above.

#### Manhasset Union Free School District Projected Cash Flow - Fiscal Year 2025-26

<u>MONTH</u>	JULY	AUG	SEPT OCT	NOV 1-18	NOV 19-30	DEC	JAN	<u>FEB</u>	MAR	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	TOTAL
BALANCE (Beginning) (1)	\$ 13,121,031 \$	9,154,153 \$ 18,292	,634 \$ 11,248,678 \$	8,108,826 \$	616,081	33,243,517	\$ 31,693,063 \$	27,579,815	\$ 21,162,016	3 14,791,426	\$ 13,892,004 \$	31,965,824 \$	13,121,031
RECEIPTS:													
Property Taxes (2)	\$ - \$	1,672,877 \$	- \$ 5,880,000 \$	- \$	35,079,631	9,407,641	\$ 4,910,000 \$		\$ - \$	6,728,500	\$ 33,703,148 \$	5,471,339 \$	102,853,135
PILOTs	-	-		-	-	700,252	-	21,266	15,772	-	-	905,790	1,643,079
Star Aid	-	-		-	-	-	656,753	-	-	-	-	-	656,753
Federal & State Aid	245,093	350,993 187	493 35,601	24,508	27,217	1,145,765	451,373	674,726	1,418,989	23,300	33,300	1,849,220	6,467,577
Other Receipts	393,002	654,101 310	,007 38,646	56,796	6,358	77,529	353,732	570,415	377,499	1,645,812	711,519	100,000	5,295,416
Interest	86,379	60,820 65	437 52,102		14,814	78,467	69,126	79,511	45,129	73,634	35,458	64,122	725,000
Transfers	-	2,250,000 958	500 -	-	-	-	-	6,000	66,750	-	-	-	3,281,250
Library Taxes	-	-			1,730,154	1,785,076	-	-	-	337,258	1,455,617	663,196	5,971,300
Note Proceeds - TANS		11,000,000		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,000,000
Total Receipts	\$ 724,474 \$	15,988,791 \$ 1,521	436 \$ 6,006,348 \$	81,304 \$	36,858,175	13,194,730	\$ 6,440,984 \$	1,351,918	\$ 1,924,139	8,808,505	\$ 35,939,042 \$	9,053,666 \$	137,893,512
Total Receips+Balance	13,845,505	25,142,945 19,814	,071 17,255,026	8,190,130	37,474,256	46,438,247	38,134,046	28,931,733	23,086,155	23,599,931	49,831,045	41,019,490	151,014,543
DISBURSEMENTS: Salary & Benefits Operating Expenses Debt Service Transfers TAN Principal Payment TAN Interest Payments Library Payments Total Disbursements	\$ 2,626,358 \$ 567,386	1,655,923 1,470 - 958 500,000 	.500 - - 100,000    608 497,608	6,185,571 \$ 835,286 55,584 497,608 7,574,049 \$	2,404,226 \$ 1,676,512 - 150,000 4,230,738 \$	5,636,880 760,137 150,000 - 497,608	\$ 5,944,000 \$ 3,962,623 - 150,000 - 497,608	522,082 - 580,000 - - 497,608	\$ 5,970,619 \$ 1,759,752 66,750 - 497,608	1,716,778 - 750,000 - - 497,608	4,845,183 410,584 150,000 5,528,661 - 497,608	10,313,394 \$ 3,743,240 785,962 100,000 5,471,339 250,000 497,612 21,161,547 \$	76,526,202 30,741,580 3,037,518 3,630,000 11,000,000 250,000 5,971,300
Balance (ending)	\$ 9,154,153 \$	18,292,634 \$ 11,248	,678 \$ 8,108,826 \$	616,081 \$	33,243,517	\$ 31,693,063	\$ 27,579,815 \$	21,162,016	\$ 14,791,426 \$	3 13,892,004	\$ 31,965,824 \$	19,857,943 \$	19,857,943
NOTE PAYMENT ACCOUNT (3) Balance (Beginning) Receipts Disbursements Balance (Ending)	\$0 0 0 \$0	\$0 0 0 \$0	\$0 \$0 0 0 0 0 \$0 \$0	\$0 0 0 \$0	\$0 0 0 \$0	\$0 0 0	\$0 0 0 \$0	\$0 0 0	\$0 0 0 \$0	\$0 0 0 \$0	\$0 5,528,661 0 \$5,528,661	\$5,528,661 5,471,339 11,000,000 \$0	\$0 11,000,000 11,000,000 \$0

<sup>(1)</sup> Balance as of June 30, 2025. Exclusive of all General Fund Restricted Reserves.

<sup>(2)</sup> Inclusive of \$1,672,877 of prior year's taxes received in August 2025.

<sup>(3)</sup> Note Payment Account transactions reflect amounts set aside to pay the principal of tax anticipation notes due in 2025-2026 at their maturity.

Interest on such notes is not reflected in the Note Payment Account, but is recorded as a Note Interest Payment Disbursement in the schedule above.

### **APPENDIX D**

# LINK TO AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024\*

Can be accessed on the Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") website of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("MSRB") at the following link:

https://emma.msrb.org/P21874652.pdf

The audited financial statements referenced above are hereby incorporated into the attached Official Statement.

<sup>\*</sup> Such Financial Statements and opinion are intended to be representative only as of the date thereof. R.S. Abrams & Co., LLP has not been requested by the District to further review and/or update such Financial Statements or opinion in connection with the preparation and dissemination of this Official Statement.

# APPENDIX E

# FORM OF APPROVING LEGAL OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL FOR THE BONDS

## Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP 140 Broadway, 42<sup>nd</sup> Floor New York, New York 10005

August 28, 2025

The Board of Education of
Manhasset Union Free School District, in the
County of Nassau, New York

### Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as Bond Counsel to the Manhasset Union Free School District (the "School District"), in the County of Nassau, New York, a school district of the State of New York, and have examined a record of proceedings relating to the authorization, sale, and issuance of the \$12,000,000 School District Serial Bonds-2025 (the "Bonds"), dated and delivered on the date hereof.

In such examination, we have assumed the genuineness of all signatures, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals and the conformity with originals of all documents submitted to us as copies thereof.

Concurrently with the issuance of the Bonds, the School District is issuing its \$31,751,484 Bond Anticipation Notes – 2025 (the "Notes"). The Bonds are treated, together with the Notes, as a single issue for federal tax purposes. We have served as bond counsel with respect to the issuance of the Notes. On the date hereof, we have rendered our opinion with respect to the exclusion of interest on the Notes from gross income for federal income tax purposes subject to the same conditions and limitations set forth herein. Noncompliance with such conditions and limitations may cause interest on the Bonds and the Notes to become subject to federal income taxation retroactive to their respective dates of issue, irrespective of the date on which such noncompliance occurs or is ascertained.

Based upon and subject to the foregoing, and in reliance thereon, as of the date hereof, we are of the following opinions:

- 1. The Bonds are valid and legally binding general obligations of the School District for which the School District has validly pledged its faith and credit and, unless paid from other sources, all the taxable real property within the School District is subject to the levy of ad valorem real estate taxes to pay the Bonds and interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount. The enforceability of rights or remedies with respect to such Bonds may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, or other laws affecting creditors' rights or remedies heretofore or hereafter enacted.
- 2. Under existing statutes and court decisions and assuming continuing compliance with certain tax certifications described herein, (i) interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and (ii) interest on the Bonds is not treated as a preference item in calculating the alternative minimum tax under the Code, however, interest on the Bonds is

included in the "adjusted financial statement income" of certain corporations that are subject to the alternative minimum tax under Section 55 of the Code.

The Code establishes certain requirements that must be met subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds in order that the interest on the Bonds be and remain excludable from gross income under Section 103 of the Code. These requirements include, but are not limited to, requirements relating to the use and expenditure of proceeds of the Bonds, restrictions on the investment of proceeds of the Bonds prior to expenditure and the requirement that certain earnings be rebated to the federal government. Noncompliance with such requirements may cause the interest on the Bonds to become subject to federal income taxation retroactive to the date of issuance thereof, irrespective of the date on which such noncompliance occurs or is ascertained.

On the date of issuance of the Bonds, the School District will execute a Tax Certificate relating to the Bonds containing provisions and procedures pursuant to which such requirements can be satisfied. In executing the Tax Certificate, the School District represents that it will comply with the provisions and procedures set forth therein and that it will do and perform all acts and things necessary or desirable to assure that the interest on the Bonds will, for federal income tax purposes, be excluded from gross income.

In rendering the opinion in this paragraph 2, we have relied upon and assumed (i) the material accuracy of the School District's representations, statements of intention and reasonable expectations, and certifications of fact contained in the Tax Certificate with respect to matters affecting the status of the interest on the Bonds, and (ii) compliance by the School District with the procedures and representations set forth in the Tax Certificate as to such tax matters.

3. Under existing statutes, interest on the Bonds is exempt from personal income taxes of New York State and its political subdivisions, including The City of New York.

We express no opinion as to any other federal, state or local tax consequences arising with respect to the Bonds or the ownership or disposition thereof, except as stated in paragraphs 2 and 3 above. We render our opinion under existing statutes and court decisions as of the date hereof, and we assume no obligation to update, revise or supplement this opinion to reflect any action hereafter taken or not taken, any fact or circumstance that may hereafter come to our attention, any change in law or interpretation thereof that may hereafter occur, or for any other reason. We express no opinion as to the consequence of any of the events described in the preceding sentence or the likelihood of their occurrence. In addition, we express no opinion on the effect of any action taken or not taken in reliance upon an opinion of other counsel regarding federal, state or local tax matters, including, without limitation, exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on the Bonds.

We give no assurances as to the adequacy, sufficiency or completeness of the Preliminary Official Statement or Official Statement or any proceedings, reports, correspondence, financial statements or other documents, containing financial or other information relative to the District, which have been or may hereafter be furnished or disclosed to purchasers of ownership interests in the Bonds.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP

# APPENDIX F

# FORMS OF APPROVING LEGAL OPINIONS OF BOND COUNSEL FOR THE NOTES

## Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP 140 Broadway, 42<sup>nd</sup> Floor New York, New York 10005

August 28, 2025

The Board of Education of the Manhasset Union Free School District in the County of Nassau, New York

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as Bond Counsel to the Manhasset Union Free School District (the "School District"), in the County of Nassau, a school district of the State of New York, and have examined a record of proceedings relating to the authorization, sale and issuance of the \$31,751,484 Bond Anticipation Note-2025 (the "Note"), dated and delivered on the date hereof.

In such examination, we have assumed the genuineness of all signatures, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals and the conformity with originals of all documents submitted to us as copies thereof.

Concurrently with the issuance of the Note, the School District is issuing its \$12,000,000 School District Serial Bonds – 2025 (the "Bonds"). The Note is treated, together with the Bonds, as a single issue for federal tax purposes. We have served as bond counsel with respect to the issuance of the Bonds. On the date hereof, we have rendered our opinion with respect to the exclusion of interest on Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes subject to the same conditions and limitations set forth herein. Noncompliance with such conditions and limitations may cause interest on the Bonds and the Note to become subject to federal income taxation retroactive to the respective dates of issue, irrespective of the date on which such noncompliance occurs or is ascertained.

Based upon and subject to the foregoing, and in reliance thereon, as of the date hereof, we are of the following opinions:

- 1. The Note is a valid and legally binding general obligation of the School District for which the School District has validly pledged its faith and credit and, unless paid from other sources, all the taxable real property within the School District is subject to the levy of ad valorem real estate taxes to pay the Note and interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount. The enforceability of rights or remedies with respect to such Note may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, or other laws affecting creditors' rights or remedies heretofore or hereafter enacted.
- 2. Under existing statutes and court decisions and assuming continuing compliance with certain tax certifications described herein, (i) interest on the Note is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and (ii) interest on the Note is not treated as a preference item in calculating the alternative minimum tax under the Code, however, interest on the Note is

included in the "adjusted financial statement income" of certain corporations that are subject to the alternative minimum tax under Section 55 of the Code.

The Code establishes certain requirements that must be met subsequent to the issuance of the Note in order that the interest on the Note be and remain excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under Section 103 of the Code. These requirements include, but are not limited to, requirements relating to the use and expenditure of proceeds of the Note, restrictions on the investment of proceeds of the Note prior to expenditure and the requirement that certain earnings be rebated to the federal government. Noncompliance with such requirements may cause the interest on the Note to become subject to federal income taxation retroactive to the date of issuance thereof, irrespective of the date on which such noncompliance occurs or is ascertained.

On the date of issuance of the Note, the School District will execute a Tax Certificate relating to the Note containing provisions and procedures pursuant to which such requirements can be satisfied. In executing the Tax Certificate, the School District represents that it will comply with the provisions and procedures set forth therein and that it will do and perform all acts and things necessary or desirable to assure that the interest on the Note will, for federal income tax purposes, be excluded from gross income.

In rendering the opinion in this paragraph 2, we have relied upon and assumed (i) the material accuracy of the School District's representations, statements of intention and reasonable expectations, and certifications of fact contained in the Tax Certificate with respect to matters affecting the status of the interest on the Note, and (ii) compliance by the School District with the procedures and representations set forth in the Tax Certificate as to such tax matters.

3. Under existing statutes, interest on the Note is exempt from personal income taxes of New York State and its political subdivisions, including The City of New York.

We express no opinion as to any other federal, state or local tax consequences arising with respect to the Note, or the ownership or disposition thereof, except as stated in paragraphs 2 and 3 above. We render our opinion under existing statutes and court decisions as of the date hereof, and assume no obligation to update, revise or supplement our opinion to reflect any action hereafter taken or not taken, any fact or circumstance that may hereafter come to our attention, any change in law or interpretation thereof that may hereafter occur, or for any other reason. We express no opinion as to the consequence of any of the events described in the preceding sentence or the likelihood of their occurrence. In addition, we express no opinion on the effect of any action taken or not taken in reliance upon an opinion of other counsel regarding federal, state or local tax matters, including, without limitation, exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on the Note.

We give no assurances as to the adequacy, sufficiency or completeness of the Preliminary Official Statement and/or Official Statement relating to the Note or any proceedings, reports, correspondence, financial statements or other documents, containing financial or other information relative to the School District, which have been or may hereafter be furnished or disclosed to purchasers of ownership interests in the Note.

## Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP 140 Broadway, 42<sup>nd</sup> Floor New York, New York 10005

August 28, 2025

The Board of Education of Manhasset Union Free School District, in the County of Nassau, New York

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as Bond Counsel to the Manhasset Union Free School District (the "School District"), in the County of Nassau, a school district of the State of New York, and have examined a record of proceedings relating to the authorization, sale and issuance of the \$11,000,000 Tax Anticipation Note for 2025-2026 Taxes (the "Note"), dated and delivered on the date hereof.

In such examination, we have assumed the genuineness of all signatures, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals and the conformity with originals of all documents submitted to us as copies thereof.

Based upon and subject to the foregoing, and in reliance thereon, as of the date hereof, we are of the following opinions:

- 1. The Note is a valid and legally binding general obligation of the School District for which the School District has validly pledged its faith and credit and, unless paid from other sources, all the taxable real property within the School District is subject to the levy of ad valorem real estate taxes to pay the Note and interest thereon, subject to certain statutory limitations. The enforceability of rights or remedies with respect to such Note may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, or other laws affecting creditors' rights or remedies heretofore or hereafter enacted.
- 2. Under existing statutes and court decisions and assuming continuing compliance with certain tax certifications described herein, (i) interest on the Note is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and (ii) interest on the Note is not treated as a preference item in calculating the alternative minimum tax under the Code, however, interest on the Notes is included in the "adjusted financial statement income" of certain corporations that are subject to the alternative minimum tax under Section 55 of the Code.

The Code establishes certain requirements that must be met subsequent to the issuance of the Note in order that the interest on the Note be and remain excludable from gross income under Section 103 of the Code. These requirements include, but are not limited to, requirements relating to the use and expenditure of proceeds of the Note, restrictions on the investment of proceeds of the Note prior to expenditure and the requirement that certain earnings be rebated to the federal government. Noncompliance with such requirements may cause the

interest on the Note to become subject to federal income taxation retroactive to the date of issuance thereof, irrespective of the date on which such noncompliance occurs or is ascertained.

On the date of issuance of the Note, the School District will execute a Tax Certificate relating to the Note containing provisions and procedures pursuant to which such requirements can be satisfied. In executing the Tax Certificate, the School District represents that it will comply with the provisions and procedures set forth therein and that it will do and perform all acts and things necessary or desirable to assure that the interest on the Note will, for federal income tax purposes, be excluded from gross income.

In rendering the opinion in this paragraph 2, we have relied upon and assumed (i) the material accuracy of the School District's representations, statements of intention and reasonable expectations, and certifications of fact contained in the Tax Certificate with respect to matters affecting the status of the interest on the Note, and (ii) compliance by the School District with the procedures and representations set forth in the Tax Certificate as to such tax matters.

3. Under existing statutes, interest on the Note is exempt from personal income taxes of New York State and its political subdivisions, including The City of New York.

We express no opinion as to any other federal, state or local tax consequences arising with respect to the Note, or the ownership or disposition thereof, except as stated in paragraphs 2 and 3 above. We render our opinion under existing statutes and court decisions as of the date hereof, and assume no obligation to update, revise or supplement our opinion to reflect any action hereafter taken or not taken, any fact or circumstance that may hereafter come to our attention, any change in law or interpretation thereof that may hereafter occur, or for any other reason. We express no opinion as to the consequence of any of the events described in the preceding sentence or the likelihood of their occurrence. In addition, we express no opinion on the effect of any action taken or not taken in reliance upon an opinion of other counsel regarding federal, state or local tax matters, including, without limitation, exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on the Note.

We give no assurances as to the adequacy, sufficiency or completeness of the Preliminary Official Statement and/or Official Statement relating to the Note or any proceedings, reports, correspondence, financial statements or other documents, containing financial or other information relative to the School District which have been or may hereafter be furnished or disclosed to purchasers of ownership interests in said Note.

Very truly yours,

# APPENDIX G

FORM OF DISCLOSURE UNDERTAKING FOR THE BONDS

#### UNDERTAKING TO PROVIDE CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

Section 1. Definitions

"Annual Information" shall mean the information specified in Section 3 hereof.

"EMMA" shall mean the Electronic Municipal Market Access System implemented by the MSRB.

"Financial Obligation" shall mean "financial obligation" as such term is defined in the Rule.

"GAAP" shall mean generally accepted accounting principles as in effect from time to time in the United States.

"Holder" shall mean any registered owner of the Securities and any beneficial owner of Securities within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

"Issuer" shall mean the Manhasset Union Free School District, in the County of Nassau, a school district of the State of New York.

"MSRB" shall mean the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board established in accordance with the provisions of Section 15B(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or any successor thereto or to the functions of the MSRB contemplated by this Agreement.

"Purchaser" shall mean the financial institution referred to in the Certificate of Award, executed by the President of the Board of Education as of August 14, 2025.

"Rule" shall mean Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the SEC under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR Part 240, §240.15c2-12), as amended, as in effect on the date of this Undertaking, including any official interpretations thereof issued either before or after the effective date of this Undertaking which are applicable to this Undertaking.

"Securities" shall mean the Issuer's \$12,000,000 School District Serial Bonds-2025, dated August 28, 2025, maturing in various principal amounts on April 1 in each of the years 2026 to 2040, inclusive, and delivered on the date hereof.

Section 2. <u>Obligation to Provide Continuing Disclosure</u>. (a) The Issuer hereby undertakes, for the benefit of Holders of the Securities, to provide or cause to be provided either directly or through Capital Markets Advisors, LLC, 11 Grace Avenue, Suite 308, Great Neck, New York to the EMMA System:

(i) no later than six (6) months following the end of each fiscal year, commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the Annual Information relating to such fiscal year, together with audited financial statements of the Issuer for such fiscal year if audited financial statements are then available; provided, however, that if audited financial statements are not then available, unaudited financial statements shall be provided with the Annual Information no later than six (6) months following the end of

each fiscal year, and audited financial statements, if any, shall be delivered to the EMMA System within sixty (60) days after they become available and in no event later than one (1) year after the end of each fiscal year; provided, however, that the unaudited financial statement shall be provided for any fiscal year only if the Issuer has made a determination that providing such unaudited financial statement would be compliant with federal securities laws, including Rule 10b-5 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 17(a)(2) of the Securities Act of 1933; and

- (ii) in a timely manner, not in excess of ten (10) business days after the occurrence of such event, notice of any of the following events with respect to the Securities:
  - (1) principal and interest payment delinquencies;
  - (2) non-payment related defaults, if material;
  - (3) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
  - (4) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
  - (5) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
  - (6) adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices of determinations with respect to the tax status of the Securities, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Securities;
  - (7) modifications to rights of Securities holders, if material;
  - (8) Bond calls, if material, and tender offers;
  - (9) defeasances;
  - (10) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Securities, if material;
  - (11) rating changes;
  - (12) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the Issuer;

Note to clause (12): For the purposes of the event identified in clause (12) above, the event is considered to occur when any of the following occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent or similar officer for the Issuer in a proceeding under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or

government authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the Issuer, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the Issuer;

- (13) the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the Issuer or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material;
- (14) appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material;
- (15) incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which affect security holders, if material; and
- (16) default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which reflect financial difficulties.
- (iii) in a timely manner, not in excess of ten (10) business days after the occurrence of such event, notice of a failure to provide by the date set forth in Section 2(a)(i) hereof any Annual Information required by Section 3 hereof.
- (b) Nothing herein shall be deemed to prevent the Issuer from disseminating any other information in addition to that required hereby in the manner set forth herein or in any other manner. If the Issuer disseminates any such additional information, the Issuer shall have no obligation to update such information or include it in any future materials disseminated hereunder.
- (c) Nothing herein shall be deemed to prevent the Issuer from providing notice of the occurrence of certain other events, in addition to those listed above, if the Issuer determines that any such other event is material with respect to the Securities; but the Issuer does not undertake to commit to provide any such notice of the occurrence of any material event except those events listed above.

Section 3. <u>Annual Information</u>. (a) The required Annual Information shall consist of the financial information and operating data for the preceding fiscal year, in a form generally consistent with the information contained or cross-referenced in the Issuer's final official statement relating to the Securities under the heading: "LITIGATION" and in APPENDIX A under the

headings: "THE DISTRICT," "FINANCIAL FACTORS," "TAX INFORMATION," "DISTRICT INDEBTEDNESS," and "ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC DATA"; and in Appendix B.

- (b) All or any portion of the Annual Information may be incorporated in the Annual Information by cross reference to any other documents which are (i) available to the public on the EMMA System or (ii) filed with the SEC. If such a document is a final official statement, it also must be available from the EMMA System.
- (c) Annual Information for any fiscal year containing any modified operating data or financial information (as contemplated by Section 7(e) hereof) for such fiscal year shall explain, in narrative form, the reasons for such modification and the effect of such modification on the Annual Information being provided for such fiscal year. If a change in accounting principles is included in any such modification, such Annual Information shall present a comparison between the financial statements or information prepared on the basis of the modified accounting principles and those prepared on the basis of the former accounting principles.

Section 4. <u>Financial Statements</u>. The Issuer's annual financial statements for each fiscal year, if prepared, shall be prepared in accordance with New York State regulatory requirements or GAAP as in effect from time to time. Such financial statements, if prepared, shall be audited by an independent accounting firm.

Section 5. Remedies. If the Issuer shall fail to comply with any provision of this Undertaking, then any Holder of Securities may enforce, for the equal benefit and protection of all Holders similarly situated, by mandamus or other suit or proceeding at law or in equity, this Undertaking against the Issuer and any of the officers, agents and employees of the Issuer, and may compel the Issuer or any such officers, agents or employees to perform and carry out their duties under this Undertaking; provided that the sole and exclusive remedy for breach of this Undertaking shall be an action to compel specific performance of the obligations of the Issuer hereunder and no person or entity shall be entitled to recover monetary damages hereunder under any circumstances. Failure to comply with any provision of this Undertaking shall not constitute an event of default on the Securities.

Section 6. <u>Parties in Interest</u>. This Undertaking is executed to assist the Purchaser to comply with (b)(5) of the Rule and is delivered for the benefit of the Holders. No other person shall have any right to enforce the provisions hereof or any other rights hereunder.

Section 7. <u>Amendments</u>. Without the consent of any holders of Securities, the Issuer at any time and from time to time may enter into any amendments or changes to this Undertaking for any of the following purposes:

- (a) to comply with or conform to any changes in Rule 15c2-12 (whether required or optional);
- (b) to add a dissemination agent for the information required to be provided hereby and to make any necessary or desirable provisions with respect thereto:

- (c) to evidence the succession of another person to the Issuer and the assumption of any such successor of the duties of the Issuer hereunder;
- (d) to add to the duties of the Issuer for the benefit of the Holders, or to surrender any right or power herein conferred upon the Issuer;
- (e) to modify the contents, presentation and format of the Annual Information from time to time to conform to changes in accounting or disclosure principles or practices and legal requirements followed by or applicable to the Issuer or to reflect changes in the identity, nature or status of the Issuer or in the business, structure or operations of the Issuer or any mergers, consolidations, acquisitions or dispositions made by or affecting any such person; provided that any such modifications shall comply with the requirements of Rule 15c2-12 or Rule 15c2-12 as in effect at the time of such modification; or
- (f) to cure any ambiguity, to correct or supplement any provision hereof which may be inconsistent with any other provision hereof, or to make any other provisions with respect to matters or questions arising under this Undertaking which, in each case, comply with Rule 15c2-12 or Rule 15c2-12 as in effect at the time of such amendment or change;

<u>provided</u> that no such action pursuant to this Section 7 shall adversely affect the interests of the Holders in any material respect. In making such determination, the Issuer shall rely upon an opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel.

Section 8. <u>Termination</u>. This Undertaking shall remain in full force and effect until such time as all principal, redemption premiums, if any, and interest on the Securities shall have been paid in full or the Securities shall have otherwise been paid or legally defeased pursuant to their terms. Upon any such legal defeasance, the Issuer shall provide notice of such defeasance to the EMMA System. Such notice shall state whether the Securities have been defeased to maturity or to redemption and the timing of such maturity or redemption.

In addition, this Agreement, or any provision hereof, shall be null and void in the event that those portions of the Rule which require this Agreement, or such provision, as the case may be, do not or no longer apply to the Securities, whether because such portions of the Rule are invalid, have been repealed, or otherwise.

Section 9. <u>Undertaking to Constitute Written Agreement or Contract</u>. This Undertaking shall constitute the written agreement or contract for the benefit of Holders of Securities, as contemplated under Rule 15c2-12.

Section 10. <u>Governing Law</u>. This Undertaking shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York determined without regard to principles of conflict of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has duly authorized, executed and delivered this Undertaking as of **August 28, 2025**.

# MANHASSET UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

By		
<u> </u>	President of the Board of Education	
	and Chief Fiscal Officer	

# **APPENDIX H**

# FORM OF CERTIFICATE TO PROVIDE NOTICES OF EVENTS FOR THE NOTES

#### UNDERTAKING TO PROVIDE NOTICES OF EVENTS

### Section 1. Definitions

"EMMA" shall mean Electronic Municipal Market Access System implemented by the MSRB.

"Financial Obligation" shall mean "financial obligation" as such term is defined in the Rule.

"GAAP" shall mean generally accepted accounting principles as in effect from time to time in the United States.

"Holder" shall mean any registered owner of the Securities and any beneficial owner of Securities within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

"Issuer" shall mean the Manhasset Union Free School District, in the County of Nassau, a school district of the State of New York.

"MSRB" shall mean the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board established in accordance with the provisions of Section 15B(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

"Purchaser" shall mean the financial institution referred to in the Certificate of Determination, executed by the President of the Board of Education as of the date hereof.

"Rule 15c2-12" shall mean Rule 15c2-12 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended through the date of this Undertaking, including any official interpretations thereof.

"Securities" shall mean the Issuer's [\$31,751,484 Bond Anticipation Notes-2025][\$11,000,000 Tax Anticipation Notes for 2025-2026 Taxes], dated August 28, 2025, maturing on [August 28, 2026][June 25, 2026], and delivered on the date hereof.

Section 2. Obligation to Provide Notices of Events. (a) The Issuer hereby undertakes, for the benefit of Holders of the Securities, to provide or cause to be provided either directly or through Capital Markets Advisors, LLC, 11 Grace Avenue, Suite 308, Great Neck, New York 11021 to the Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") System implemented by the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board established pursuant to Section 15B(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or any successor thereto or to the functions of such Board contemplated by the Undertaking, in a timely manner, not in excess of ten (10) business days after the occurrence of any such event, notice of any of the following events with respect to the Securities:

- i. principal and interest payment delinquencies;
- ii. non-payment related defaults, if material;

- iii. unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
- iv. unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
- v. substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
- vi. adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices of determinations with respect to the tax status of the Securities, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Securities;
- vii. modifications to rights of Securities holders, if material;
- viii. Bond calls, if material, and tender offers;
- ix. defeasances;
- x. release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Securities, if material;
- xi. rating changes;
- xii. bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the Issuer;

Note to clause (12): For the purposes of the event identified in clause (12) above, the event is considered to occur when any of the following occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent or similar officer for the Issuer in a proceeding under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or government authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the Issuer, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the Issuer;

xiii. the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the Issuer or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material;

- xiv. appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material;
- xv. incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which affect security holders, if material; and
- xvi. default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which reflect financial difficulties.
- (b) Nothing herein shall be deemed to prevent the Issuer from disseminating any other information in addition to that required hereby in the manner set forth herein or in any other manner. If the Issuer disseminates any such additional information, the Issuer shall have no obligation to update such information or include it in any future materials disseminated hereunder.
- (c) Nothing herein shall be deemed to prevent the Issuer from providing notice of the occurrence of certain other events, in addition to those listed above, if the Issuer determines that any such other event is material with respect to the Securities; but the Issuer does not undertake to commit to provide any such notice of the occurrence of any event except those events listed above.
- Section 3. Remedies. If the Issuer shall fail to comply with any provision of this Undertaking, then any Holder of Securities may enforce, for the equal benefit and protection of all Holders similarly situated, by mandamus or other suit or proceeding at law or in equity, this Undertaking against the Issuer and any of the officers, agents and employees of the Issuer, and may compel the Issuer or any such officers, agents or employees to perform and carry out their duties under this Undertaking; provided that the sole and exclusive remedy for breach of this Undertaking shall be an action to compel specific performance of the obligations of the Issuer hereunder and no person or entity shall be entitled to recover monetary damages hereunder under any circumstances. Failure to comply with any provision of this Undertaking shall not constitute an event of default on the Securities.
- Section 4. <u>Parties in Interest</u>. This Undertaking is executed to assist the Purchaser to comply with (b)(5) of the Rule and is delivered for the benefit of the Holders. No other person shall have any right to enforce the provisions hereof or any other rights hereunder.
- Section 5. <u>Amendments</u>. Without the consent of any holders of Securities, the Issuer at any time and from time to time may enter into any amendments or changes to this Undertaking for any of the following purposes:
  - (a) to comply with or conform to any changes in Rule 15c2-12 (whether required or optional);

- (b) to add a dissemination agent for the information required to be provided hereby and to make any necessary or desirable provisions with respect thereto;
- (c) to evidence the succession of another person to the Issuer and the assumption of any such successor of the duties of the Issuer hereunder;
- (d) to add to the duties of the Issuer for the benefit of the Holders, or to surrender any right or power herein conferred upon the Issuer;
- (e) to cure any ambiguity, to correct or supplement any provision hereof which may be inconsistent with any other provision hereof, or to make any other provisions with respect to matters or questions arising under this Undertaking which, in each case, comply with Rule 15c2-12 or Rule 15c2-12 as in effect at the time of such amendment or change;

<u>provided</u> that no such action pursuant to this Section 5 shall adversely affect the interests of the Holders in any material respect. In making such determination, the Issuer shall rely upon an opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel.

Section 6. <u>Termination</u>. This Undertaking shall remain in full force and effect until such time as all principal, redemption premiums, if any, and interest on the Securities shall have been paid in full or the Securities shall have otherwise been paid or legally defeased in accordance with their terms. Upon any such legal defeasance, the Issuer shall provide notice of such defeasance to the EMMA System. Such notice shall state whether the Securities have been defeased to maturity or to redemption and the timing of such maturity or redemption.

Section 7. <u>Undertaking to Constitute Written Agreement or Contract</u>. This Undertaking shall constitute the written agreement or contract for the benefit of Holders of Securities, as contemplated under Rule 15c2-12.

Section 8. <u>Governing Law</u>. This Undertaking shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York determined without regard to principles of conflict of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has duly authorized, executed and delivered this Undertaking as of **August 28, 2025.** 

#### MANHASSET UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

By		
	President of the Board of Education	