### **NOTICE**

# BRENTWOOD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE

## TOWN OF ISLIP, SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the qualified voters of the Brentwood Union Free School District, Town of Islip, Suffolk County, New York, that the annual Election of members of the Board of Education and the vote upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures of the ensuing year and the vote upon any proposition(s), (i.e., the "Budget"), shall be held in the designated schools in each of the nine (9) school election districts herein below described on Tuesday, May 20, 2025, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., and as much longer as may be necessary to enable the qualified voters then present at said election districts to cast their vote

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that at the annual election and vote, the following propositions will be submitted for the purpose of voting thereon:

### PROPOSITION 1

School District Budget

Shall the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of said District is hereby authorized to appropriate the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures of the District for the forthcoming fiscal year of July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026; such funds are to be raised by tax on the taxable property of the District to be levied and collected as provided by law.

# **PROPOSITION 2**

Increasing the Number of Board Members from seven (7) members to nine (9) members:

At a cost of approximately \$28,000.00 for a special meeting, shall the Board of Education of the Brentwood Union Free School District: (i) establish two (2) additional seats on the District's Board of Education, thereby increasing the number of board members from seven (7) members to nine (9) members, with such new board members each to be elected to a term of office of three (3) years); and (ii) call a special meeting not less than thirty (30) days nor more than sixty (60) days following the District's annual meeting of May 20, 2025 for the purpose of electing such new board members; and Shall the Board of Education of the Brentwood Union Free School District be authorized to take any and all actions necessary to effectuate the increase of the number of board member positions from seven (7) members to nine (9) members?

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the Public Hearing on the proposed School District Budget will be held on Thursday, May 8, 2025 at 7:00 P.M., at the Anthony F. Felicio Administration Center, 52 Third Ave. Brentwood, NY 11717.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required for the ensuing year for school purposes together with texts on any resolution or additional propositions which will be presented to the voter, may be obtained by any resident in the School District, during the fourteen days immediately preceding the annual election and on the day of the annual election, other than a Saturday, Sunday or holiday, at the office of the Principal of each schoolhouse and each public library in the District, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., on school days and on the District's website.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that Section 495 of the Real Property Tax law requires the district to attach to its proposed budget an exemption report. Said exemption report, which will also become part of the final budget, will show how the total assessed value of the final assessment roll used in the budgetary process is exempt from taxation, list every type of exemption granted by statutory authority, and show the cumulative impact of each type of exemption, the cumulative amount expected to be received as payments in lieu of taxes (PILOT) and the cumulative impact of all exemptions granted. In addition, said exemption report shall be posted on District Bulletin board(s) maintained for public notices, as well as on the district's website.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law, personal registration of voters is required to vote at the Annual election and budget vote, and no person will be entitled to vote at said annual election whose name does not appear on the register of the School District or who does not register as hereinafter provided. The register of the qualified voters of the School District prepared for the last annual meeting and election and for any subsequent special meeting or election shall be used as the basis for the preparation of the register for this annual election. Any person whose name appears on said register, or who shall have been previously registered hereunder for any annual or special meeting or election held or conducted at any time within four years prior to the preparation of the register, or any qualified voter in General Elections, will not be required to register personally for the annual election for which this notice is given.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that prospective voters may be registered in the District Clerk's Office, Anthony F. Felicio Administrative Center, 52 Third Avenue, Brentwood, NY 11717, on each day that the District Clerk's Office is open, prior to May 7, 2025, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the completed register will be filed in the District Clerk's office and open for inspection by any qualified voter of the District at the District Clerk's Office, on each of the five days (except Sunday) prior to the annual election, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on school days and on Saturday

between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., prior to and on the day set for the Annual Election and Budget Vote.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Board of Registration will meet during the Annual Election and Budget Vote on May 20, 2025, at the time and place hereinafter set forth for such Annual Election and Budget Vote. It should be noted however, that registration during the Annual Election and Budget Vote does not entitle one to vote at such time, the purpose of registration being to qualify those who have not previously registered for voting at subsequent District Meetings.

FURTHER NOTICE IS GIVEN, that in accordance with Education Law Section 2018-a, application for absentee ballots for the Annual District Meeting and Election may be applied for at the District Clerk's Office. Such application must be received no more than 30 days prior to the election and at least seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. A list of all persons to whom absentee voters' ballots have been issued, shall be available during regular office hours at the District Clerk's Office on each of the five days (except Sunday) prior to the annual election, between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on school days and on Saturday between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. No absentee voter ballot shall be canvassed unless it has been received by the District Clerk no later than 5 p.m. on the day of the election.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the School District is divided into nine (9) election districts corresponding to the nine (9) elementary school attendance areas and that the place in each election district where the vote will be held is as follows: Hemlock Park Elementary School, 19 Hemlock Drive, Bay Shore, NY; Laurel Park Elementary School, 48 Swan Lane, Brentwood, NY; Loretta Park Elementary School, 77 Stahley Street, Brentwood, NY; North Elementary School, 50 W. White Street, Brentwood, NY; Northeast Elementary School, 2 Devon Road, Brentwood, NY; Oak Park Elementary School, 775 Wisconsin Ave., Bay Shore, NY; Pine Park Elementary School, 1 Mur Place, Brentwood, NY; Frank J. Cannon Southeast Elementary School, 1 Melody Lane, Brentwood, NY; and Southwest Elementary School, 1095 Joselson Avenue, Bay Shore.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that petitions nominating candidates for the office of members of the Board of Education must be filed with the District Clerk between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. On April 21, 2025, the District Clerk's hours will be extended to 5 p.m. Nominating petitions must be filed with the District Clerk, not later than 5 p.m. on Monday, April 21, 2025. The following vacancies are to be filled:

For a term of three (3) years commencing on July 1, 2025, and ending on June 30, 2028 (Hassan Ahmed last incumbent).

For a term of three (3) years commencing on July 1, 2025, and ending on June 30, 2028 (Maria Malave last incumbent).

Each vacancy is a separate specific office, and a separate petition is required to nominate a candidate to each separate office. Each petition must be directed to the District Clerk, must be signed by at least twenty- five (25) qualified voters of the District, must state the residence of each signer, signature of each signer, must state the name and residence of the candidate, and must describe the specific vacancy for which the candidate is nominated, including at least the length of the term of office and the name of the last incumbent.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the qualifications of voters at School District elections are as follows: A person shall be entitled to vote at any school meeting or election of school district officers, public library trustees, and upon all other matters which may be brought before such meeting, who is: A citizen of the United States, eighteen years of age or older and a resident within the district for the period of thirty (30) days next preceding the meeting or election at which he/she offers to vote. A voter may vote only in the elementary school in his/her proper election district if his/her name appears on the School District Voter Register or if his/her name appears on the General Election Voter Register.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that pursuant to Section 2018-e of the Education Law, applications for early mail ballots may be obtained at the Office of the District Clerk of the School District, during all days in which the School District is in session. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk no earlier than April 21, 2025 and by May 13,2025, if the early mail ballot is to be mailed to the voter. If the early mail ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter at the Office of the District Clerk, the completed application must be received by the District Clerk no later than May 19, 2025. No early mail voter's ballot will be canvassed unless it has been received in the Office of the District Clerk of the School District no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 20, 2025. A list of all persons to whom early ballots have been issued will be available in the Office of the District Clerk's office during office hours on and after May 14, 2025 until May 19, 2025, (except on Sunday) between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on school days and on Saturdays between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m, May 17, 2025. A challenge to an early voting ballot may not be made on the basis that the voter should have applied for an absentee ballot.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that military voters who are not currently registered may apply to register as a qualified voter of the School District. Military voters who are qualified voters of the School District may submit an application for a military ballot. Military voters may designate a preference to receive a military voter registration, military ballot application or military ballot by mail, facsimile or electronic mail in their request for such registration, ballot application or ballot. Military voter registration forms and military ballot application forms must be received in the office of the District Clerk no later than 5:00pm on April 24, 2025. No military ballot will be canvassed unless it is (1) received in the office of the District Clerk before the close of the polls on election day and showing a cancellation mark of the United States postal services or a foreign country's postal service, or showing a dated endorsement of receipt by another agency of the United States Government; or (2) received by the office of the District Clerk by no later than

5:00pm on election day and signed and dated by the military voter and one witness thereto, with a date which is associated to be not later than the day before the election.

By order of the Board of Education of Brentwood Union Free School District, Town of Islip, Suffolk County, New York.

Dated: April 4, 11, 25, 2025 and May 2, 2025

Dennis M. Logan

District Clerk (Interim)

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