

## **2014 BALLOT TEXT—GUNNISON WATERSHED SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J**

SHALL GUNNISON WATERSHED SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J'S TAXES BE INCREASED \$2,500,000 ANNUALLY, OR SUCH LESSER AMOUNT AS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MAY ANNUALLY DETERMINE, BY THE COLLECTION OF ADDITIONAL AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE 2014-2015 BUDGET YEAR AND EACH SUCCESSIVE BUDGET YEAR THEREAFTER, FOR DEPOSIT IN THE DISTRICT SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

- MAINTAINING EXISTING CLASS SIZES;
- RESTORING MATH INTERVENTION, COUNSELLING, LIBRARY MEDIA TECHNOLOGY, SPECIAL EDUCATION AND OTHER CRITICAL STUDENT PROGRAMS AND SERVICES THAT WERE CUT DUE TO REDUCTIONS IN STATE FUNDING;
- REINSTATING VOCATIONAL/TECHNICAL PROGRAMS THAT PROVIDE STUDENTS HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE AND ALLOW THEM TO GAIN PRACTICAL SKILLS FOR FUTURE JOBS;
- RESTORING AND MAINTAINING RIGOROUS SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATH PROGRAMS FOCUSED ON PREPARING STUDENTS FOR COLLEGE AND THE WORKPLACE;
- STRENGTHENING THE DISTRICT'S FULL-DAY KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM;
- RESTORING ART, MUSIC, AND FOREIGN LANGUAGE PROGRAMMING;
- REINSTATING THE DISTRICT'S BUS REPLACEMENT PROGRAM TO MAINTAIN SERVICES AND STUDENT SAFETY;
- EXTENDING THE USEFUL LIFE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES BY RESTORING MAINTENANCE SCHEDULES AND ACTIVITIES CUT DUE TO REDUCTIONS IN STATE FUNDING;

WITH SUCH TAXES TO BE IN EXCESS OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUES THAT WOULD BE PROVIDED BY THE GENERAL FUND MILL LEVY PERMITTED UNDER STATE LAW WITHOUT SUCH INCREASE AND, TOGETHER WITH REVENUES FROM SPECIFIC OWNERSHIP TAXES ATTRIBUTABLE THERETO AND THE EARNINGS ON SUCH TAXES AND REVENUES, TO CONSTITUTE VOTER APPROVED REVENUE AND SPENDING CHANGES UNDER, TO BE COLLECTED AND SPENT EACH YEAR WITHOUT LIMITATION BY THE REVENUE AND SPENDING LIMITS OF, AND WITHOUT AFFECTING THE DISTRICT'S ABILITY TO COLLECT AND SPEND OTHER REVENUES OR FUNDS UNDER, ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER LAW?

YES

NO