NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING, ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION AVOCA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COUNTY OF STEUBEN, NEW YORK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a public hearing of the qualified voters of the Avoca Central School District, 17 Oliver Street, Avoca, New York, will be held in Room 137 of said school, in said district on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. prevailing time, for the presentation of the budget.

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN, that the Annual Meeting of the qualified voters of the Avoca Central School District, 17 Oliver Street, Avoca, New York will be held on May 15, 2018 between the hours of 12:00 noon and 9:00 p.m., prevailing time, in the bus garage conference room of said school, in said district, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting machine upon the following propositions:

- 1. To adopt the annual budget of the School District for the fiscal year 2018-2019 and to authorize the requisite portion thereof to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the District.
- That the Board of Education be authorized to expend up to \$340,000 from the existing Transportation Vehicle Replacement Reserve Fund for the purchase of three (3) school buses, one (1) passenger vehicle, one (1) tractor and to expend therefore a gross sum not exceeding \$340,000.
- 3. Resolved that the Board of Education of the Avoca Central School District is hereby authorized to establish a Transportation Vehicle Replacement Reserve Fund pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law (to be known as the "2018 Transportation Vehicle Replacement Reserve Fund"), with the purpose of such fund being to finance the purchase of school buses, vehicles and equipment, and costs incidental thereto, the ultimate amount of such fund to be \$2,000,000, plus earnings thereon, the probable term of such fund to be five years, but such fund shall continue in existence until liquidated in accordance with the Education Law or until the funds are exhausted, and the sources from which the funds shall be obtained for such Reserve are (i) an initial deposit of the remaining balance (\$612,025.09 as of March 20, 2018, plus earnings thereon) to be transferred from the existing 2014 Transportation Vehicle Replacement Fund, and (ii) amounts from budgetary appropriations from time to time, and (ii) unappropriated fund balance made available by the Board of Education from time to time, all as permitted by law.
- 4. To elect one member of the Board of Education for a five year term commencing July 1, 2018 and expiring on June 30, 2023 to succeed Michael Slayton whose term expires on June 30, 2018.
- 5. To elect one member of the Board of Education for a three year term commencing May 16, 2018 and expiring on June 30, 2021 to succeed Charles Ron Harmon whose term expires on May 15, 2018.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required to fund the School District's budget for 2018-2019, exclusive of public monies, including a copy of the latest tax exemption impact report, may be obtained by any resident and/or taxpayer of the District during the fourteen (14) days immediately preceding the Annual Meeting, except Saturday, Sunday, or holidays, on the district's website at <u>www.avocacsd.org</u>, at the Business Office, 17 Oliver Street, Avoca, New York, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. prevailing time, on any legal school days falling within the aforesaid fourteen (14) day period during school hours, and also at each public library within the district during normal operating hours within the aforesaid fourteen (14) day period. Business hours beginning Tuesday, May 1, 2018, except Saturday, Sunday or holidays, at the Avoca Central School Business Office, 17 Oliver Street, Avoca, New York.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that petitions nominating candidates for the member of the Board of Education shall be filed with the Clerk of said School District at her office in the Central School Building, not later than April 16, 2018, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Nominating petitions must be directed to the Clerk of the District; must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the

District; must state the name and residence of each signer; must state the name and residence of the candidate; and, must describe the specific vacancy for which the candidate is nominated. The petition shall describe at least the length of the term of office and contain the name of the last incumbent.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application for absentee ballots will be obtainable Monday through Friday during school business hours from the District Clerk. Such application must be received by the District Clerk 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 issued to the voter in person. Absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. prevailing time, on Tuesday, May 15, 2018. A list of persons to whom absentee ballots are issued will be available for inspection in the district clerk's office on each of the five (5) days prior to the day of the election, except Saturday, Sunday or holidays during regular office hours until the day of the election.