

**NOTICE OF REFERENDUM ELECTION
COUNTY OF GREEN
November 6, 2018**

COUNTY OF GREEN REFERENDUM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that at an election to be held in the County of Green, on Tuesday, November 6, 2018, the following Resolution of the County Board will be submitted to a vote of the people:

RESOLUTION 8-3-18

***Resolution Authorizing a Referendum to Exceed State Imposed Tax Levy
Limits in 2019 through 2024 for the Benefit of Pleasant View Nursing Home***

WHEREAS, the Green County Board of Supervisors does proclaim its continuing support for county ownership and operation of Pleasant View Nursing Home for so long as it is practical for the county to do so; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin has imposed limits on town, village, city and county property tax levies for 2019 under Section 66.0602 of the Wisconsin Statutes; and

WHEREAS, Section 66.0602 of the Wisconsin Statutes limits the increase to local property tax levy to the increase in net new construction; and

WHEREAS, the current state budget allows an increase in the 2019 tax levy of .557% (\$72,502); and

WHEREAS, the Finance and Accounting Committee and the Pleasant View Nursing Home Committee have determined that it may be necessary to levy up to an additional \$790,000 above the levy limit for each of the next six years for the financial well-being and stability of Pleasant View Nursing Home; and

WHEREAS, Section 66.0602(4) of the Wisconsin Statutes allows a political subdivision to exceed the levy limit if the governing body adopts a resolution to that effect and if the resolution is approved in a referendum vote of the electors of the political subdivision; and

WHEREAS, the Finance and Accounting Committee and the Pleasant View Nursing Home Committee have determined that it is desirable and in the best interest of Green County to conduct a county-wide referendum to determine whether the Green County taxpayers support the county exceeding the levy limit under Section 66.0602 of the Wisconsin Statutes, or any successor thereto, for the next six fiscal years, in recognition that Section 66.0602 of the Wisconsin Statutes may be amended or renewed in the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Green County Board of Supervisors, in legal session assembled, does hereby approve that the following question be placed on the November 6, 2018 General Election ballot as a binding referendum question:

Under state law, the increase in the levy of the County of Green for the tax to be imposed for the next fiscal year, 2019, is limited to .557%, which results in a levy of \$13,092,171. Shall the County of Green be allowed to exceed this limit and increase the levy for the next six fiscal years, 2019 - 2024, for the exclusive purpose of paying for a portion of the cost of the operational and capital expenses of the county-owned Pleasant View Nursing Home, by a total of 6.625%, which amounts to a levy increase of \$790,000 per year, which results in a total county levy of \$13,882,171?

YES _____ NO _____

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Green County Board of Supervisors supports an increase in the county tax levy to exceed the state levy limit for the next six years, 2019 through 2024 up to \$790,000 per year.

SIGNED: FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING COMMITTEE

The question will appear on the ballot as follows:

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YES _____ NO _____

EXPLANATION

The November 6, 2018, general election ballot asks the county electors to vote “yes” or “no” on the referendum question above.

A “yes” vote on the question is a vote in favor of authorizing the County of Green to exceed the tax levy limit imposed under s. 66.0602, Wisconsin Statutes, by an amount between \$0 to \$790,000 for fiscal years 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024.

A “no” vote on the question is a vote against authorizing the County of Green to exceed the tax levy limit imposed under s. 66.0602, Wisconsin Statutes, by an amount between \$0 to \$790,000 for fiscal years 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024.

In the event a majority of the electors vote “yes” to the question, the County of Green would be authorized to exceed the tax levy limit imposed under s. 66.0602, Wisconsin Statutes, by an amount between \$0 to \$790,000 for fiscal years 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024. Any amounts levied under the authority of this referendum must be used exclusively for the purpose of operating Pleasant View Nursing Home.

In the event a majority of the electors vote “no” to the question, the County of Green would not be authorized to exceed the tax levy limit imposed under s. 66.0602, Wisconsin Statutes, by an amount between \$0 to \$790,000 for fiscal years 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024. Necessary expenses incurred in the operation of Pleasant View Nursing Home may have to be appropriated from other county funds or from other county departments. Pleasant View Nursing Home may have to be closed or sold.

DONE in the city of Monroe,
this 24th day of October, 2018.

Michael J. Doyle, Green County Clerk