LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING GERMANTOWN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT GERMANTOWN, NEW YORK 12526

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Meeting and election of the inhabitants of the Germantown Central School District, Columbia County, New York, qualified to vote in the school meetings in said District, will be held on **Tuesday, May 18, 2021**, at the Kellner Community Activities Center, 50 Palatine Park Road, Germantown, New York, between the hours of 12:00 noon and 9:00 P.M., for the election of two (2) members of the Board of Education; the vote upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures for the 2021-2022 fiscal year; and the vote on all propositions involving the expenditures of money or authorizing the levy of taxes;

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN, that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required for the 2021-2022 fiscal year for school purposes, may be obtained by any residents in the district during the fourteen (14) days immediately preceding the Annual Meeting except Saturday, Sunday or holidays, at the District Office of the Germantown Central School, Germantown, New York, between 9:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M. and on the District website;

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN, that a tax exemption report, showing how much of the total assessed value on the final assessment roll or rolls used in that budgetary process is exempt from taxation, shall be annexed to the budget document, shall be posted on the District's website for public notices;

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN, that a public hearing on the proposed budget will be held on Wednesday, May 5, 2021 at the Germantown Central School, Germantown, New York, beginning at 6:00 P.M.;

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN, that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education of this District must be filed in the Office of the District Clerk at the Germantown Central School, Germantown, New York, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M., and by not later than 5:00 P.M. on April 19, 2021. The following vacancies are to be filled:

- (1) 4-year term last incumbent Tammi Kellenbenz
- (2) 3+ year term last incumbent Lester Olsson (appointed)

Each petition must be directed to the Clerk of the District, shall be signed by 25 qualified voters of the District and shall state the name and residence address of the candidate and of each signer.

Two (2) vacancies for the office of the member of the Board of Education will be filled. The vacancies to be filled shall not be considered separate specific offices, and the nominating petition shall not describe any specific vacancy upon the Board of Education for which a candidate is nominated. The two (2) candidates receiving the greatest number of votes shall be elected to fill the vacant offices, with the candidate with the highest number of votes to fill the full 4-year term.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law, personal registration of voters is required, and no person shall be entitled to vote at said Annual District Meeting to be held on May 18, 2021, whose name does not appear on the register of said School District or who does not register as hereinafter provided, except a person who is otherwise qualified to vote and is registered to vote with the County under the provisions of Article 5 of the Election Law. The Board of Registration shall prepare a register for said Annual District Meeting which shall include all persons who shall have been previously registered with the school district or County.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the register of the School District, so prepared, including the names of military voters who submit valid military voter registrations, will be filed in the District Clerk's Office at Germantown Central School, Germantown, NY, where the same will be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the District between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on each of the five (5) days prior to the said Annual School District Election and Vote, except Sundays and holidays.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that Military Voters who are not registered in the District may register as a qualified voter of the District and Military Voters who are registered in the District may request a military ballot from the District Clerk at email: landerson@germantowncsd.org or Telephone (518) 537-6281, Ext. 2302 by no later than 5:00 P.M. on April 22, 2021. The Military Voter may indicate their preference for receiving the registration application or ballot application by mail, by facsimile or email. Military ballots will be mailed or otherwise distributed no later than 25 days before the election. Military ballots must be returned by mail or in person and received by the District Clerk by 5:00 P.M. on election day.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN, that provision is made for absentee balloting for election of members of the Board of Education and vote on the district budget. Applications for absentee ballots may be obtained at the District Office. The application must be received by the District Clerk not more than 30 days and at least seven (7) days prior to the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter or the day before the election, if the ballot will be picked up personally by the voter or the voter's authorized agent as set forth in the application, at the District Office. Absentee ballots must be received at the office of the District Clerk by no later than 5:00 P.M. prevailing time, on the day of the election and vote, May 18, 2021. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued and a list of military voters to whom military ballots shall have been issued will be available for inspection to qualified voters of the District at the Office of the District Clerk during regular office hours, 7:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. prevailing time, until the day of the Election and Vote. Any qualified voter may file a written challenge of the qualification of a voter whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge.

Elizabeth Liberti Germantown Central School District District Clerk (518) 537-6281 ext. 2302