

CORTLAND ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education Special Meeting – Tuesday, March 24, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.
Kaufman Center, 1 Valley View Drive, Cortland NY

1. **CALL TO ORDER and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**
2. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - a. Rescind Resignation
 - b. Approval of *Revised* Notice of Annual Meeting, defining the Budget Public Hearing Date, Polling Locations, Voter Registration Day, and Publication of Notice of Annual Meeting and Election, Bus Proposition, Capital Reserve Proposition and Library Proposition as presented.
3. **ADJOURNMENT**

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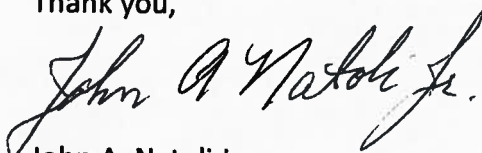
March 23, 2016

Michael Hoose
Kaufman Center
1 Valley View Drive
Cortland, NY 13045

Dear Mike,

As of today, I would like to rescind my resignation from the Board of Education that was submitted earlier this year.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "John A. Natoli Jr." with a stylized, cursive script.

John A. Natoli Jr.

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
CORTLAND ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
IN THE COUNTY OF CORTLAND, NEW YORK
MARCH 24, 2016**

A Special Meeting of the Board of Education (the "Board") of the Cortland Enlarged City School District (the "District") held at the Kaufman Center, 1 Valley View Drive, Cortland, New York, on MARCH 24, 2016, at 4:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time).

There were present:

Also Present:

There were Absent:

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Upon motion duly made by _____ and seconded by _____, the following resolution was adopted:

RECITAL

WHEREAS, the District intends to Annual hold the Annual Meeting of the qualified voters of the District as required by Article 53 of the New York Education Law on May 17, 2016; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED ON MARCH 24, 2016, BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE DISTRICT, (by favorable vote of not less than three fifths of all the members of said Board of Education) **AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The Annual Meeting of the qualified voters of the Cortland City School District, County of Cortland, State of New York, will be held for the purpose of voting on the propositions described in the Notice of Annual District Meeting hereinafter set forth on May 17, 2016 at the following polling locations by voting machine between the hours of 12:00 Noon and 9:00 PM:

City:

Ward	School District	Location	Address
1-8	1	Kaufman Center	1 Valley View Drive

Cortlandville, Lapeer, Hartford, Virgil:

LD/ED/Town	School District	Location	Address
12-1 CT	9	Cortlandville Town Hall	Terrace Road
13-3 & 4 CT	9	Cortlandville Town Hall	Terrace Road
14-6 CT	9	Cortlandville Town Hall	Terrace Road
18-1 LA	10	Virgil Fire Department	1195 West State Road, Virgil
19-1 HA	10	Virgil Fire Department	1195 West State Road, Virgil
19-2 VI	10	Virgil Fire Department	1195 West State Road, Virgil

Section 2. The business to be acted upon at said Annual District Meeting shall be as stated in the Notice thereof, and the District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause the Notice of said Annual District Meeting to be published in the *Cortland Standard* and the *Ithaca Journal*, newspapers having a general circulation within the District, such publications to be made four (4) times each in such newspapers within the seven (7) weeks next preceding such Annual District Meeting, the first publication to be at least forty-five (45) days prior to the date of said Annual District Meeting. The District Clerk is further authorized to cause publication of all other notices as necessary to effect the purposes and intent of this resolution and, upon the advice of school counsel, to make such changes and edits to this resolution as are advisable to accomplish the purposes set forth herein.

Section 3. Said Annual District Meeting shall be called by giving the following notice thereof:

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION CORTLAND ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a public hearing of the qualified voters of the Cortland Enlarged City School District, City of Cortland, New York, will be held in the City and County of Cortland, New York in said District on May 10, 2016, at 7:00 PM, at the Kaufman Center, 1 Valley View Drive, Cortland, prevailing time, for the transaction of business as authorized by Education Law, including the following items:

1. To receive such reports of the officials of the School District as shall be submitted.
2. To discuss all the items hereinafter set forth to be voted upon by voting machines at the vote and election to be held on May 17, 2016.
3. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting pursuant to the Education Law of the State of New York and acts amendatory thereto.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that said vote and election will be held on May 17, 2016, between the hours of 12:00 noon and 9:00 PM, prevailing time, at the following polling locations in the Cortland Enlarged City School District:

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at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting machine upon the following items:

1. To adopt the annual budget of the School District for the fiscal year 2016-2017 and to authorize the requisite portion thereof to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the district.
2. To elect two (2) members of the Board of Education for three-year terms commencing July 1, 2016 and expiring on June 30, 2019.
3. To vote upon the adoption of the proposition, which will appear as Proposition No. 2 on the ballot.
4. To vote upon the adoption of the proposition, which will appear as Proposition No. 3 on the ballot.
5. To vote upon the adoption of the proposition, which will appear as Proposition No. 4 on the ballot.

PROPOSITION 2

Shall the bond resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the Cortland Enlarged City School District on March 24, 2016 authorizing the acquisition of five (5) large replacement school buses and four (4) passenger vehicles, including necessary furnishings, fixtures and equipment, and the expenditure of a total sum not to exceed \$711,000, which is estimated to be the total maximum cost thereof, and further authorizing the issuance of \$711,000 serial bonds to pay the cost thereof; providing that the sum of \$711,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable real property of such School District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; providing that, in anticipation of said tax, obligations of the School District, including installment purchase contracts, may be issued; pledging the faith and credit of said School District for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds; determining that the period of probable usefulness thereof and maximum maturity of the serial bonds therefor is five years; delegating the power to authorize and sell bond anticipation notes and to fix the details of and to sell serial bonds; containing an estoppel clause and providing for the publication of an estoppel notice, be approved?

PROPOSITION 3

Shall the following resolution be adopted: RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cortland Enlarged City School District, Cortland County, New York, is hereby authorized to establish a new ten-year capital reserve pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law in an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000 to be used for renovations and additions to all District facilities, including purchase of equipment, technology upgrades, classroom equipment and/or school infrastructure equipment, site development, storm and sanitary sewer, driveways, and parking lots, such reserve fund to be funded from

(i) a transfer of the unexpended balance currently on deposit in the District's existing reserve fund approved by the District's voters on May 17, 2016, to be terminated if this proposition is approved, (ii) year-end budget surplus funds known as unassigned fund balance, as available, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016 and each fiscal year thereafter for the term of the reserve fund, (iii) transfers of excess monies from Board of Education designated reserves, (iv) amounts from budgetary appropriations from time to time, and (v) New York State Aid received and made available by the Board of Education from time to time, all as permitted by law.

PROPOSITION 4

Shall the Cortland Free Library tax previously approved by the voters of the District be increased from the current \$367,353 to \$370,775 beginning July 1, 2016, to be raised by a tax upon the taxable property of the District in each year for general library purposes and to continue from year to year until modified or repealed by a subsequent vote?

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS GIVEN, that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required to fund the school district's budget for 2016-2017 exclusive of public monies, may be obtained by any resident of the district during business hours beginning May 3, 2016, except Saturday, Sunday or holidays, at the District Office, 1 Valley View Drive, Cortland, New York.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed with the Clerk of said School District at the District Office, 1 Valley View Drive, Cortland, New York, not later than April 27, 2016, between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM. Vacancies on the Board of Education are not considered separate, specific offices; candidates run at large. Nominating petitions shall not describe any specific vacancy upon the Board for which the candidate is nominated; must be directed to the Clerk of the District; must be signed by at least 100 qualified voters of the District; must state the name and residence of each signer, and, must state the name and residence of the candidate.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that qualified voters of the District may obtain applications for an absentee ballot from the office of the Clerk of the District. Completed applications must be received by the Clerk of the District no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 16, 2016, and must be received no later than 4:00 p.m. on May 10, 2016 if the absentee ballot is to be mailed to the voter. Completed applications received after 4:00 p.m. on May 10, 2016 will require the voter to personally appear at the office of the Clerk of the District to receive an absentee ballot. A listing of all persons to whom an absentee ballot is issued will be available for inspection by any qualified voter in the office of the Clerk of the District between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. through May 16, 2016, except on Saturdays, Sundays or holidays. Any qualified voter, may upon examination of such list, file written challenge of qualifications as a voter of any person whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge. Such written challenge shall be transmitted by the Clerk or designee to the Inspectors of Election on election day.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that personal registration of voters is required either pursuant to 2606 of the Education Law or pursuant to Article 53 of the Election Law. If voter has heretofore registered pursuant to 2606 of the Education Law and has voted at an annual or Annual district meeting within the last four (4) calendar years, he or she is eligible to vote at this election; if a voter is registered and eligible to vote under Article 5 of the Election Law, he or she is also eligible to vote at this election. All other persons who wish to vote must register.

The Board of Registration will meet for the purpose of registering all qualified voters of the District pursuant to 2606 of the Education Law at the Kaufman Center, 1 Valley View Drive, Cortland, New York, on May 3, 2016, between the hours of 3:00 PM and 8:00 PM to add any additional names to the Register to be used at the aforesaid election, at which times any person will be entitled to have his or her name placed on such Register, provided that at such meeting of the Board of Registration he or she is known or proven to the satisfaction of said Board of Registration to be then or thereafter entitled to vote at such election for which the register is prepared. The register so prepared pursuant to 2606 of the Education Law will be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the School District in the City of Cortland, New

York, and will be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the District beginning on May 4, 2016, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 3:00 PM, prevailing time, on weekdays, and each day prior to the day set for the election except Saturday and Sunday, and at the polling place(s) on the day of the vote.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to 2606 of the Education Law of the State of New York, the Board of Registration will meet on May 3, 2016, between the hours of 3:00 PM and 8:00 PM, prevailing time, at the District Offices, 1 Valley View Drive, Cortland, New York, to prepare the Register of the School District to be used at the election to be held on May 17, 2016, and any Annual district meetings that may be held after the preparation of said Register, at which time any person will be entitled to have his or her name placed on such Register provided that at such meeting of said Board of Registration he or she is known or proven to the satisfaction of such Board of Registration to be then or thereafter entitled to vote at the school election for which said Register is prepared, in any Annual district meeting held after May 17, 2016.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to a rule adopted by the Board of Education in accordance with sections 2611 and 2035 of the Education Law, any referenda or propositions to amend the budget, or otherwise to be submitted for voting at said election, must be filed with the Board of Education at the Board of Education Offices, 1 Valley View Drive, Cortland, New York, on or before April 18, 2016, at 4:30 PM prevailing time; must be typed or printed in the English language, must be directed to the Clerk of the School District; must be signed by at least 100 qualified voters of the District; and must state the name and residence of each signer. However, the School Board will not entertain any petition to place before the voters any proposition the purpose of which is not within the powers of the voters to determine, or any proposition which fails to include a specific appropriation where the expenditure of monies is required by the proposition.

Dated: Cortland, New York
MARCH 24, 2016

Alicia Zupancic, District Clerk

Section 4. The vote upon the propositions to be submitted to the qualified voters shall be by ballot and ImageCast Optical Scan voting machines.

The adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Ms. Melissa Davis-Howard	Voting Yes/No
Ms. Christine A. Gregory	Voting Yes/No
Ms. Janet S. Griffin	Voting Yes/No
Ms. Judith E. Murphy	Voting Yes/No
Mr. John A. Natoli, Jr.	Voting Yes/No
Mr. Daniel R. Sidebottom	Voting Yes/No
Ms. Alane M. Van Donsel	Voting Yes/No

The resolution was declared adopted.