BEFORE THE REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
ALEXANDER, JOHNSON, MASSAC, PULASKI
AND UNION COUNTIES, ILLINOIS

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION )
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SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 43, AND ANNA- )
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DISTRICT NO. 81 TO ORGANIZE A NEW )
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THE SAME TO THE VOTERS OF SAID )
TERRITORIES AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD )
ON MARCH 20, 2012 )

PETITION

NOW COME the undersigned Petitioners, pursuant to Section 11E-30, et seq. of the
Illinois School Code, 105 ILCS 5/11E-30, et seq., seeking the organization of a new optional unit
school district in the territory of said school districts and in support thereof state as follows:

1. The undersigned Petitioners represent at least fifty (50) legal resident voters, or
ten percent (10%) of the legal resident voters, whichever is less, residing within each affected
school district, namely: Lick Creek Community Consolidated School District No. 16, Anna
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2. The territory sought to be combined into an optional unit school district consists of the entire territory of four (4) school districts, namely, Lick Creek Community Consolidated School District No. 16, Anna Community Consolidated School District No. 37, Jonesboro Community Consolidated School District No. 43, and Anna-Jonesboro Community High School District No. 81.

3. Said school districts are contiguous to each other and will, if combined, form a compact optional unit school district.

4. The four (4) districts sought to be consolidated have a total equalized assessed valuation of more than Five Million and 00/100 Dollars ($5,000,000) and a population of not less than one thousand five hundred (1,500) and not more than five hundred thousand (500,000).

5. Each district currently has outstanding bonded indebtedness against the territory of the district. If the proposition is approved, such bonded indebtedness shall remain against the territory of each district as it existed prior to the approval of the proposition. The tax rate for bonded indebtedness shall be determined in the manner provided in Section 19-7 of the School
Code, and the County Clerks of Union and Alexander Counties shall annually extend taxes for each outstanding bond issue against all the taxable property that was situated within the boundaries of each district as such boundaries existed at the time of the issuance of each such bond issue.

6. The proposed optional unit school district shall be authorized to levy taxes in the respective funds hereinafter set forth at the maximum rates thereafter set forth, to-wit:

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7. All State deficit difference payments, if any, shall be allocated to the Education Fund of the new district proposed to be formed.

8. The undersigned Petitioners hereby designate the following named persons as a Committee of Ten pursuant to Section 11E-35(b)(10) of the Illinois School Code with such powers and duties as are enumerated therein:

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<th>Name</th>
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<td>Darrell Ross</td>
<td>3440 Dog Walk Rd.</td>
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<td>Kent Herbert</td>
<td>1200 S. Rocky Comfort Rd.</td>
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<td>Ron Cross</td>
<td>840 St. Rt. 127 S</td>
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<td>John Bigler</td>
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e) Martha Greenwood  
   90 Greenwood Ln  
   Dist. 43

f) Nancy Herbert  
   1200 S. Rocky Comfort Rd.  
   Dist. 16

g) Ronnie Mays  
   3125 Boyd Rd.  
   Dist. 81

h) Tim Keller  
   90 Sadler Rd.  
   Dist. 37

i) Rita Dodd  
   915 Hess School Lane  
   Dist. 37

j) Doug Edwards  
   603 Pleasant Lane  
   Dist. 43

9. The organization of a new optional unit school district in the territory contained within the boundaries of Lick Creek Community Consolidated School District No. 16, Anna Community Consolidated School District No. 37, Jonesboro Community Consolidated School District No. 43, and Anna-Jonesboro Community High School District No. 81 is in the best interests of the schools of the area and the educational welfare of the pupils therein.

10. The proposed new district will have sufficient size and financial resources to provide and maintain a recognized educational program for grades pre-kindergarten through twelve (12).
11. The Petitioners request that a board of education be elected on a separate ballot at a subsequent election to the proposition to create a new district, which board shall serve as the board of education of the proposed new district. Such election of board members shall proceed under the supervision of the Regional Superintendent.

WHEREFORE, we, the undersigned Petitioners, do hereby request and petition that the territory herein described be organized into a new community consolidated school district; that the Regional Superintendent of Schools of Alexander, Johnson, Massac, Pulaski, and Union Counties, Illinois, conduct a hearing on this Petition as provided in Section 11E-30 of the School Code; that upon completion of said hearing the Regional Superintendent approve and submit the Petition and all the evidence admitted at said hearing to the State Superintendent of Education for his review and approval; and that said proposition be submitted to the voters of said territory at the next regularly scheduled election to be held on March 20, 2012, for the purpose of voting for or against the establishment of said district.
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COMMITTEE OF TEN:

[Signatures]

Tim Keller
Nancy Herbert
Rita Berry-Dodd
Michele Heiser
Pat Herbert

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3125 Boyd Rd. Ann A., IL 37481

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 Ronald Cross

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<td>C. D. W. Boyd</td>
<td>111 W.Vendor Rd., Jonesboro</td>
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I, [Signature], residing at 163 W. Bond, and hereby certify that the signatures on this sheet of the petition were signed in my presence and are genuine, and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the time of signing the petition registered voters of the political subdivision or district or precinct or combination of precincts in which the question of public policy is to be submitted and that their respective residences are correctly stated therein. I further certify that this signature page was circulated with a full petition attached at the time of signing.

Circulated By: [Signature]

On this 6th day of October, 2011, before me personally appeared [Signature], and to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing certification.

Notary Public

OFFICIAL SEAL
REBECCA D. DUTY
Notary Public, State of Illinois
My Commission Expires 01/05/14