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**Village of Fontana on Geneva Lake, Walworth County, WI
Tuesday, November 14, 2017**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that at an election to be held in the Village of Fontana on Geneva Lake, Walworth County, WI on Tuesday, November 14, 2017, the following proposed referendum question will be submitted to a vote of the people:

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin has placed levy limits on towns, villages, cities, and counties pursuant to § 66.0602 Wis. Stats.; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board for the Village of Fontana-on-Geneva Lake is considering expenditures for the purpose of improving existing emergency medical services ("EMS"), through the Village Fire and Rescue Department, for the purpose of providing better service to the citizens of the Village of Fontana; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board for the Village of Fontana has considered the 2016 and projected 2017 (collected in 2018) tax levy and believes it is in the Village's best interest to improve EMS and to exceed the state levy limit for the Village in said tax year by a percentage not greater than as set forth in the referendum language below.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Village Board for the Village of Fontana-on-Geneva Lake, Walworth County, Wisconsin, does hereby resolve and order as follows:

1. The Village Board hereby supports an increase in the Village of Fontana-on-Geneva Lake tax levy for 2017 (to be collected in 2018) that would exceed the amount allowed by the state levy limit by the amount set forth below. Said increase, as called for by this Resolution, shall be on an ongoing basis per §66.0602(4)(a), Wis. Stats,
2. That the Village Board directs that the question of increasing the Village of Fontana tax levy for 2017 (to be collected in 2018) by 6.9 percent (6.9%) over the allowable levy limit be put to a referendum question on November 14, 2017. The referendum question shall read as follows:

"Under state law, the increase in the levy of Village of Fontana-on-Geneva Lake for the tax to be imposed for the next fiscal year, 2018 is limited to 1.683%, which results in a base levy before debt service of \$2,383,700. When allowable debt service is added the new net levy limit is \$3,588,669. Shall the Village of Fontana-on-Geneva Lake be allowed to exceed this limit and increase the levy for an ongoing basis by up to \$250,000 per year, which for 2018 equals 6.9% and results in a total municipality levy of \$3,838,669? This is a necessity for the Village to continue to provide 24-hour Emergency Medical Services for our Village. The funds will be used exclusively for this purpose."

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Village Board of the Village of Fontana-on-Geneva Lake this 5th day of September, 2017.

The question will appear on the ballot as follows:

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EXPLANATION

A “YES” vote will authorize the Village of Fontana on Geneva Lake Board of Trustees to budget annually through the local tax levy for the Village of Fontana Fire and Rescue Dept. to continue to provide its current level of 24-hour Emergency Medical Services to the Village of Fontana property owners and residents.

A “NO” vote will deny the Village of Fontana Board of Trustees the ability to exceed the state’s annual limit for local tax levying power and the current level of Emergency Medical Services will have to be reduced or funding allocated from another source other than the General Fund.

Done in the Village of Fontana on Geneva Lake,
Walworth County, WI on the 5th day of
September, 2017.

Theresa Loomer, Village Clerk

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