DECLARATION OF VACANCY AND PROCLAMATION FOR SPECIAL ELECTION SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, DISTRICT 4, CENTRAL COMMUNITY SCHOOL BOARD

WHEREAS, due to the resignation of Willard "Will" Easley on January 14, 2021, a vacancy now exists in the office of School Board Member, District 4, Central Community School Board; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana Revised Statute 18:602 requires that the Central Community School Board formally declare the vacancy in its membership and appoint an individual to fill the vacancy until a special election is conducted.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Central Community School Board does hereby declare and proclaim as follows:

SECTION 1: The School Board hereby declares that, due to the resignation of Willard "Will" Easley, the office of School Board Member, District 4, Central Community School Board, is vacant.

SECTION 2: A special election shall be held for the purpose of electing a qualified individual to fill the vacancy in the office of School Board Member, District 4, Central Community School Board.

SECTION 3: Any qualified person desiring to become a candidate for the office shall file a notice of candidacy, accompanied by a qualifying fee or a nominating petition, as required or authorized by law, with the appropriate election official in the manner and form and under the procedures and conditions set forth in the Louisiana Election Code during the period commencing July 14, 2021 and ending at 4:30 p.m. on July 16, 2021.

SECTION 4: The special election shall be held and conducted under the applicable provisions of the Louisiana Election Code.

SECTION 5: The primary election shall be held October 9, 2021 and the general election, if necessary, shall be held November 13, 2021, at the times and places and in the manner prescribed by law.

SECTION 6: The Secretary of State, Commissioner of Elections, Parish Board of Election Supervisors, Clerk of Court, Registrar of Voters and all other persons charged with any power, function, right, duty or responsibility in conducting elections in the jurisdiction of the vacant position described herein are hereby authorized, requested, directed and empowered to exercise every lawful function and to do every act necessary to conduct the special election, to cause

the returns to be made, to canvass and promulgate the results and to perform all related and incidental functions.

SECTION 7: Superintendent Jason Fountain (or his designee) will take all action necessary to immediately publish this proclamation in the School Board's official journal.

SECTION 8: Superintendent Jason Fountain (or his designee) will send a copy of this proclamation to the Clerk of Court for the 19th Judicial District and the Secretary of State by registered or certified mail no later than twenty-four (24) hours after this proclamation is issued.

RESOLVED by the Central Community School Board at a special board meeting on the 1st day of February, 2021.

Dr. Jason Fountain	Dr. James Gardner
Board Secretary	Board President