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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
 Estate 21-87
 All creditors of the estate of Laura Jean Eberhart, late of Wilkes County, Georgia, deceased, are hereby notified to render their demand to the undersigned according to law, and persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment This 30th day of December, 2021
 Dale Eberhart
 Administrator of the Estate of:

Laura Jean Eberhart
 164 Independence Street
 Tignall, Georgia 30668
 1-6-22-4c

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF WILKES COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA ESTATE NO. 22-04 NOTICE OF PETITION TO FILE FOR YEAR'S SUPPORT
 The petition of Cheryl Anne Dawson, for a Year's Support from the estate of Bobby Leon Dawson, deceased, for decedent's surviving spouse, having been duly filed, all interested persons are hereby notified to show cause, if any they have, on or before February 21, 2022, why said petition should not be granted.

All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections, and must be filed on or before the time stated in the preceding sentence. All objections should be sworn to before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your objections, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel for the required amount of filing fees. If any objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled at a later date. If no objections are filed the petition may be granted without a hearing.
 Thomas Charming
 Judge of the Probate Court
 By: Becky Blackmon
 Clerk of the Probate Court
 23 Court Street, Room 422
 Washington, GA 30673
 1-27-22-4c

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF WILKES COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA IN RE: ESTATE OF LUCILLE SPENCE LAWRENCE, DECEASED PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION NOTICE ESTATE NO. 22-02
 TO: Kimilah Spence, Shireece Spence, Shana Spence, Sabre Spence, Shaquana Spence, Stacey Spence and to whom it may concern:

Charlie Edd Lawrence has petitioned to be appointed Administrator of the estate of Lucille Spence Lawrence deceased, of said County. (The Petitioner has also applied for waiver of bond and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. § 53-12-261.) All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said Petition should not be granted. All objections to the Petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections, and must be filed with the Court on or before February 25, 2022.

BE NOTIFIED FURTHER: All objections to the Petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections. All objections should be sworn to before a notary public or before a Probate Court Clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your objections, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact Probate Court personnel for the required amount of filing fees. If any objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled at a later date. If no objections are filed the petition may be granted without a hearing.
 Thomas Charming
 Judge of the Probate Court
 By: Becky Blackmon
 Clerk of the Probate Court
 23 Court Street, Room 422
 Washington, GA 30673
 1-13-22-4c

ESTATE 21-92 ALL CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE of Robert Joseph Dinneweth late of Wilkes County, Georgia, deceased, are hereby notified to render their demand to the undersigned according to law, and persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment.
 This 6th day of January, 2022
 Kathleen Johnston Dinneweth
 Executor of the Estate of:
 Robert Joseph Dinneweth
 c/o Charles W. Wills
 Attorney at Law, P. C.
 P. O. Box 1620
 318 Jackson Street
 Thomson, GA 30824
 Phone (706) 595-8100
 1-13-22-4c

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF WILKES COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA IN RE: ESTATE OF EVA R. BUFFORD, DECEASED ESTATE NO. 22-03) PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION NOTICE
 TO whom it may concern:
 Tom Webb Bufford, Jr. has petitioned to be appointed administrator of the estate

of Eva Rorie Bufford deceased, of said county. The petitioner has also applied for waiver of bond, waiver of reports, waiver of statements, and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. § 53-12-261. All interested persons are hereby notified to show cause why said petition should not be granted. All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections, and must be filed with the Court on or before February 7, 2022.
BE NOTIFIED FURTHER: All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections. All objections should be sworn to before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your objections, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel for the required amount of filing fees. If any objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled at a later date. If no objections are filed, the petition may be granted without a hearing.
 Thomas Charming
 Judge of the Probate Court
 By: Becky Blackmon
 Clerk of the Probate Court
 23 Court Street Rm 422
 Washington, GA, 30673
 706-678-2523
 1-20-22-4c

Mary Ann Johnson- Unit 10, Samantha Holmes- Unit 1
 The self-storage units generally contain household items, clothing and boxes unless otherwise noted. The auction will take online at www.lockerfox.com Final Bids must be submitted prior to the auction close on Friday 4, 2022 @ 11:45 AM. Tignall Mini Storage reserves the right to withdraw a self-storage unit from the auction at any time. All sales are final. For additional information, please call 706) 403-2400.
 1-20-22-2c

NOTICE OF ADOPTION to Cortavias Duan Simmons

You are hereby notified that a female child, L.A.S., born to Mikaela Irene Uscanga in Richmond County, Georgia, on February 25, 2020, and you have been identified as the biological father of this child. A Petition for Adoption was filed in the Superior Court of Lincoln County, Georgia, by Justin Canuto and Leah Canuto on January 14, 2022, and is pending.
 You are hereby notified and advised, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 19-8-12(e), that you will lose all rights to the child and will neither receive notice nor be entitled to object to the adoption of the child unless, within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice, you file: (1) A petition to legitimate the child pursuant to Code Section 19-7-22 as a separate civil action; (2) Notice of the filing of the petition to legitimate with the Superior Court of Lincoln County, Clerk of Court, 210 Humphrey Street, P.O. Box 340, Lincolnton, Georgia 30817; and (3) Notice of the filing of the petition to legitimate to Attorney Cheryl L. Gracey, Dallas & Gracey Law Firm, 304 Black Street, Thomson, Georgia 30824.

Failure to reply, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 19-8-12(f) will result in you losing all rights to the child, and the court shall enter an order terminating all of your rights to the child and you shall not thereafter be allowed to object to the adoption and shall not be entitled to receive further notice of the adoption if, within thirty (30) days from your receipt of this notice, you: (1) Do not file a legitimation petition and give notice as required in subsection (e) of Code Section O.C.G.A. § 19-8-12; (2) File a legitimation petition which is subsequently dismissed for failure to prosecute; or (3) File a legitimation petition and the action is subsequently concluded without a court order granting such petition and declaring that you are the legal father of the child.

REFERENDUM RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WILKES COUNTY, GEORGIA IMPOSING A COUNTY ONE PERCENT SALES AND USE TAX AS AUTHORIZED BY PART 1 OF ARTICLE 3 OF CHAPTER 8 OF TITLE 48 OF THE OFFICIAL CODE OF GEORGIA ANNOTATED, SPECIFYING THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH TAX ARE TO BE USED; SPECIFYING THE PERIOD OF TIME FOR WHICH SUCH TAX SHALL BE IMPOSED; SPECIFYING THE ESTIMATED COST OF THE FACILITIES TO BE FUNDED FROM THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH TAX; SEEKING APPROVAL TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT; REQUESTING THE ELECTION SUPERINTENDENT TO CALL AN ELECTION OF THE VOTERS OF WILKES COUNTY TO APPROVE THE IMPOSITION OF SUCH SALES AND USE TAX; APPROVING THE FORM OF BALLOT TO BE USED IN SUCH AN ELECTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE
 A public auction will be held at B&H Mini Storage, 105 Andrew Drive, Washington, GA, 30673 on Thursday, January 27, 2022, at 6:15pm. The contents contained in the following units will be sold as-is for failure to pay storage rent:
 9 – Steve Walker
 17 – Andy Bradford
 18 – Cassandra Stewart
 24 – Gabrielle Heath
 47 – Mary Jones
 The property (household goods and furniture) contained in the units will be sold to the highest bidder for cash. The management reserves the right to bid at auction, reject any or all bids, and cancel or adjourn the sale. The units will be opened for viewing at 5:55pm on the day of the sale.
 1-20-2022-2p

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE
 In accordance with Georgia's Lien Code, the following self-storage units will be sold at auction to enforce Tignall Mini Storage's Lien: Betty Jones-17.

WHEREAS, Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. (the "Act") authorizes the imposition of a county one percent sales and use tax (the "SPLOST") for the purpose, inter alia, of financing certain capital outlay projects which include those set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, the Board delivered a written notice (the "Notice") to the mayor of each municipality located within the County regarding the imposition of the SPLOST; and

WHEREAS, the Notice contained the date, time, place and purpose of a meeting at which designated representatives of the County and the Municipalities met and discussed the possible projects for inclusion in the referendum; and

WHEREAS, the Notice was mailed at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the meeting, and the meeting was held at least thirty (30) days prior to the issuance of a call for the referendum; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, the Projects are projects authorized to be financed through the imposition of a SPLOST and are projects authorized to be financed through the issuance of general obligation bonds issued in conjunction with the imposition of a SPLOST; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of the Act it is necessary to submit to the qualified voters of Wilkes County the question of whether or not said SPLOST shall be imposed and Bonds issued accordingly for the permitted purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Wilkes County, Georgia as follows:

(A) Assuming the question of imposing a County SPLOST is approved by the voters of the special district in the election hereinafter referred to, the SPLOST shall be imposed for the term, purposes and costs as follows:

1. In order to finance the Projects described herein, a SPLOST in the amount of one percent (1%) on all sales and uses in the County is hereby authorized to be levied and collected within the special district created in the County as provided in the Act.

2. Under Level One County-wide Projects, Wilkes County will receive 10.47% of the SPLOST revenues (totaling an estimated \$720,000) off the top for jail capital and renovations; courthouse renovations, office upgrades, and electric/plumbing upgrades; and health department renovation and upgrades projects.

3. Under Level Two County-Wide Projects, Wilkes County will receive 33.09% of the SPLOST revenues (totaling an estimated \$2,275,000) off the top for Law Enforcement Capital; Emergency 911 capital and bond costs and interest for renovations, upgrades and equipment; acquisition of capital for operations of the 4-H program; Elections capital; Emergency Management Services capital including vehicles and equipment and upgrades (includes bond interests and/or costs); Hospital building renovations and/or construction; Library renovations and/or improvements; Recreation facilities, capital and improvements; and the Animal Shelter for renovations and/or improvements.

4. The remaining proceeds of such tax are to be used to fund the Projects. The Projects consist of "County Projects" and "Municipal Projects." The County Projects, the Municipal Projects, and the Estimated Costs are set forth below:

Wilkes County Projects:
 Estimated Costs: \$2,095,917
 City of Washington Projects:
 Estimated Costs: \$1,522,576
 City of Tignall Projects:
 Estimated Costs: \$ 196,674
 City of Rayle Projects:
 Estimated Costs: \$ 64,006

5. The SPLOST is to be imposed for a period of six (6) years with collections to begin on the first day of the month following

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