**NOTICE OF BALLOT TITLE RECEIVED**

**NOTICE OF ELECTION**

Notice is hereby given that on February 23, 2023, a ballot title was filed by the Gates Rural Fire Protection District with the Marion County Clerk for an election to be held on May 16, 2023.

The ballot title submitted by the District is as follows:

**Caption:** Renewal of current four-year Local Option tax for general operations.

**Question:** Shall Gates RFPD retain the option tax of $.9033 per $100,000 of assessed value for operations/equipment for another four years? This measure renews current Local Option taxes.

**Summary:** Approval of this four-year Local Option serial levy would continue the current fire district levy through June of 2027. The levy would begin July 1, 2023 and would provide funding for the Gates RFPD to maintain the current level of emergency services and meet the fire district’s increasing operating costs. Additional revenues would fund the upgrade or replacement of district vehicles and equipment. The proposed rate would generate approximately $65,561 in 2023/2024; $67,200 in 2024/2025; $68,880 in 2025/2026; and $70,602 in 2026/2027.

Any elector dissatisfied with this ballot title may petition the Circuit Court of Marion County seeking a different ballot title pursuant to ORS 255.155. Petitions must be filed with the court not later than 5:00 p.m., March 6, 2023 (7th business day after receipt of the ballot title), with appropriate notification as required by law, to the Marion County Clerk.

Dated this 23rd day of February, 2023. William J. Burgess, Marion County Clerk