RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF MR. STEPHEN PHILLIPS ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL, HOLLY HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ENTERPRISE CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM AS ALABAMA'S 2025 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS (NAESP) NATIONAL OUTSTANDING ELEMENTARY ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

WHEREAS, the Alabama Association of Elementary School Administrators (AAESA) has named Mr. Stephen Phillips, Assistant Principal of Holly Hill Elementary School in the Enterprise City School System, as Alabama's NAESP National Outstanding Elementary Assistant Principal; and

WHEREAS, this prestigious recognition program is awarded through AAESA, the Alabama chapter of the NAESP, and is dedicated to honoring assistant principals who demonstrate excellence in their roles and make significant contributions to the educational experience of their students; and

WHEREAS, during Mr. Stephen Phillips' nearly two years of service at Holly Hill Elementary School, he has played an instrumental role in elevating the school's performance, evidenced by a state report card score of 97 for the 2023–2024 academic year, the maintenance of a perfect 100 in academic growth, and a significant reduction in chronic absenteeism; and

WHEREAS, under Mr. Stephen Phillips' leadership, innovative initiatives such as the enhancement of the Response to Intervention (RTI) process, improved school safety protocols, and the mentorship of new teachers have fortified Holly Hill Elementary School's capacity to nurture every student's success; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Stephen Phillips was formally recognized during a special presentation held at Holly Hill Elementary School on January 31, 2025, in acknowledgment of his outstanding leadership and commitment to the well-being and academic success of his students:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Alabama State Board of Education does hereby commend and congratulate Mr. Stephen Phillips upon the honor of being selected as Alabama's NAESP 2025 National Outstanding Elementary Assistant Principal.

Done this 9th day of October 2025