RESOLUTION COMMENDING MORRIS AVENUE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL, OPELIKA CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM, AS STATE NOMINEE FOR THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION 2020 GREEN RIBBON SCHOOL AWARD

WHEREAS, the Alabama State Board of Education recognizes the importance of saving energy, reducing costs, creating environmentally sustainable learning spaces, and protecting health, and fostering wellness for Alabama students; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Education recognizes those schools in the nation that are striving to achieve an energy-efficient and healthy school environment with the Green Ribbon School Award; and

WHEREAS, Morris Avenue Intermediate School, Opelika City School System, has been nominated for the Green Ribbon School Award for its strides to reduce overall energy consumption and promote environmental sustainability through reducing, recycling, and reusing; and

WHEREAS, Morris Avenue Intermediate School takes great efforts to promote energy saving modes of transportation, provide students with a healthy environment, and educate students with the skills and knowledge to lead healthy and active lives through the school's "Fruit and Fitness" trail; and

WHEREAS, Morris Avenue Intermediate School educates students about key relationships between dynamic environmental energy and human systems through grade-specific learning units while championing students to become civically responsible lifelong learners in the realm of their impact on the environment:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Alabama State Board of Education does hereby commend Morris Avenue Intermediate School, Opelika City School System, for its commitment to environmental awareness and education and does hereby express its congratulations to the students and educators of Morris Avenue Intermediate School and the Opelika City School System.

Done this 14th day of July 2020