

**RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF MARCH 8-12, 2021,
AS “NATIONAL SCHOOL BREAKFAST WEEK” IN ALABAMA SCHOOLS**

WHEREAS, the Alabama State Board of Education and the Alabama State Department of Education has recognized for over 50 years, the School Breakfast Program has contributed to the health and educational development of Alabama’s children by making nutritious meals available in Grades K-12 public schools; and

WHEREAS, every March, the School Nutrition Association and the U.S. Department of Agriculture join together to celebrate the National School Breakfast Week; and

WHEREAS, the National School Breakfast Week 2021 (#NSBW21) theme is “Score Big with School Breakfast,” a fun way to show students, parents, and stakeholders all the ways that your school breakfast program is a winner; and

WHEREAS, research has indicated that students who eat breakfast have better attention and memory, and the quality of foods children eat impacts cognition, and poor nutrition is linked with absenteeism, health problems, hunger symptoms, and psychosocial problems; and

WHEREAS, scientifically based food and nutrition information contributes powerful education benefits to all elementary and secondary students; and

WHEREAS, the School Breakfast Program served over 34 million breakfast meals for the school year 2019-2020 to Alabama students:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Alabama State Board of Education does hereby express its appreciation to school nutrition professionals who make the local School Breakfast Program work in 1,475 school sites statewide; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Alabama State Board of Education encourages Alabama schools to participate in promoting National School Breakfast Week; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Alabama State Board of Education does designate March 8-12, 2021, as “School Breakfast Week” in the public schools of Alabama.

Done this 11th day of February 2021