## RESOLUTION TO MODIFY PASSING PRAXIS SCORE FOR THE AREA OF FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE AS A PRECONDITION FOR INITIAL CERTIFICATION

WHEREAS, by Resolutions of April 14, 2005; February 9, 2006; October 12, 2006; December 14, 2006; March 8, 2007; July 10, 2012; July 9, 2013; December 14, 2017; December 13, 2018; August 8, 2019; March 12, 2020, and other Resolutions from time to time, the Alabama State Board of Education has adopted certain Praxis subject assessments and minimum passing scores as conditions for initial educator certification in the state of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, earning a passing score on a Praxis subject assessment is a prerequisite for initial certification, via State-approved program and several other certification approaches in all subjects for which there is a Praxis subject assessment; and

WHEREAS, Educational Testing Service recommended a passing score of 153 for Praxis 5122 Family and Consumer Science based on the October 2013 Multistate Standard-Setting Study; and

WHEREAS, an additional Alabama Standard-Setting Study comprised of Alabama Family and Consumer Science Educators was performed in October 2013 and resulted in a suggested passing score of 161; and

**WHEREAS**, the Alabama State Board of Education approved a Resolution to adopt a passing score of 161 on Praxis 5122 Family and Consumer Science on March 12, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the current director of the Alabama State Department of Education, Office of Career and Technical Education, requests that the Alabama State Board of Education discontinue the current required score of 161 and adopt the Educational Testing Service recommended multistate passing score of 153; and

**WHEREAS**, Alabama uses the Educational Testing Service recommended multistate score on all currently required Praxis tests except Praxis 5122 Family and Consumer Science:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That effective the date of this Resolution, the Alabama State Board of Education hereby discontinues the current required score of 161 on Praxis 5122 Family and Consumer Science and adopts the Educational Testing Service recommended multistate passing score of 153; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Alabama State Superintendent of Education is hereby directed to take any and all actions necessary to implement this resolution.

Done this 8th day of April 2021