## RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF ELIZABETH BARANOV HUTCHENS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MOBILE COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM AS A 2020 MATHEMATICS PRESIDENTIAL AWARD FINALIST

**WHEREAS,** now that we have entered the 21st century, proficiency in mathematics and science is more important than ever; and

**WHEREAS,** the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching established by Congress in 1983, are the nation's highest honor bestowed upon Grades K-12 mathematics and science teachers; and

**WHEREAS,** fewer than 200 teachers throughout the nation, including Washington, D. C., Puerto Rico, schools of the Department of Defense Education Activity, and the United States territories, are selected each year as state finalists; and

**WHEREAS,** through the state selection committee, two 2020 state mathematics finalists were chosen from a number of applications in Alabama; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Baranov of Hutchens Elementary School, Mobile County School System, has demonstrated excellence in the Alabama mathematics classroom for 16 years; and

**WHEREAS,** Elizabeth Baranov was chosen as a 2020 finalist in Alabama to receive the award for excellence in mathematics teaching:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** That the Alabama State Board of Education does hereby commend and congratulate Elizabeth Baranov upon the honor of being selected as one of Alabama's outstanding teachers of mathematics.

Done this 14th day of October 2021