RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF MRS. AQILA MALPASS, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL, ROCKY RIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, HOOVER CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM, AS ALABAMA'S 2021 OUTSTANDING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR

WHEREAS, the National Association of Elementary School Principals (NAESP) sponsors a national program to honor outstanding elementary and middle-school assistant principals from all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Department of Defense, and U.S. Territories; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Aqila Malpass, Assistant Principal at Rocky Ridge Elementary School in the Hoover City School System, was selected as the Alabama recipient of the 2021 Assistant Principal of the Year by the National Association of Elementary School Principals and the Alabama Association of Elementary School Administrators; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Aqila Malpass has been an outstanding educator in Alabama and served as an instructional coach and assistant principal in the Hoover City School System; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Aqila Malpass earned a bachelor's degree from Howard University, a master's and specialist degree in Educational Leadership from the University of Alabama at Birmingham and currently working towards her Doctorate degree at the University of Alabama at Birmingham; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Aqila Malpass is an intentional instructional leader who has a positive impact on her school as a result of her encouragement of quality, equitable instruction, and her emotional and academic support of her staff; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Aqila Malpass strives to lead by example by modeling lessons, engaging all families, and having high expectations of all students; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Aqila Malpass is a member of the NAESP where she serves on the Editorial Advisory Board, a member of AAESA, and CLAS; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Aqila Malpass has been recognized by her peers for exemplary service to the students, teachers, parents, and other stakeholders at Rocky Ridge Elementary School:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Alabama State Board of Education does hereby commend and congratulate Mrs. Aqila Malpass upon the honor of being selected as the 2021 Alabama Elementary School Assistant Principal of the Year.

Done this 10th day of November 2021