

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE REVIEW
OF AN EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAM
Birmingham-Southern College**

WHEREAS, *Alabama Administrative Code*, Rule No. 290-3-3-.59(4)(b)2, requires that approval by the Alabama State Board of Education shall be secured before a proposal for a new program is reviewed by the Office of Teaching and Leading of the Alabama State Department of Education; and

WHEREAS, the State Superintendent of Education has received from the President of Birmingham-Southern College a written request to develop a Class B English Language Arts (6-12) program; and

WHEREAS, the request lists the specific proposed program for which the Alabama State Board of Education approval is being sought, together with information concerning the factors to be considered in determining the need for the program; and

WHEREAS, Birmingham-Southern College was approved to prepare teachers of English Language Arts, but decided not to continue the program because no students were enrolled; and

WHEREAS, current Birmingham-Southern College students have expressed an interest in preparing to teach English Language Arts; and

WHEREAS, Birmingham-Southern College personnel wish to provide more teachers to help address the acute shortage certified applicants; and

WHEREAS, Birmingham-Southern College personnel have been advised that the proposed program may not be implemented prior to Alabama State Board of Education approval, based on documentation of compliance with all applicable standards; and

WHEREAS, the State Superintendent of Education recommends that the program be reviewed by the Office of Teaching and Leading of the Alabama State Department of Education:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Alabama State Board of Education hereby authorizes a review of the following program:

Class B English Language Arts (6-12)

Done this 10th day of February 2022