

**RESOLUTION COMMENDING DR. TERESHA JONES-HAMILTON,
PRINCIPAL, AND DR. TONYA CREWS, SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT AND
TURNAROUND ADMINISTRATOR, CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL,
TUSCALOOSA CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM, RECIPIENT OF THE
INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR LEADERSHIP IN EDUCATION AWARD**

WHEREAS, the Alabama State Board of Education recognizes and appreciates strong leadership that results in schools and school districts attaining higher levels of academic achievement, especially an achievement that is nationally recognized by leading education organizations; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the International Center for Leadership Award (ICLE), established in 1991, mission is to assist schools in providing all students with a rigorous and relevant instructional program that is future-focused and grounded in a culture that fosters strong personal relationships between students and adults alike; and

WHEREAS, the ICLE recognizes and shares innovative practices for improving schools across the nation with more than 6,000 educators who attend their annual Model School Conference; and

WHEREAS, because the ICLE has identified three Alabama schools and only 16 schools across the nation as Model Schools that show exemplary progress in various categories, including School Turnaround, Integrating Technology, and Closing the Achievement Gap to name a few; and

WHEREAS, Central High School, Tuscaloosa City School System, under the leadership of Dr. Tonya Crews, School Improvement and Turnaround Administrator, and Dr. Teresha Jones-Hamilton, Principal, has received the Model School Award for School Turnaround and is one of only five high schools in the nation to be acknowledged by ICLE; and

WHEREAS, Drs. Tonya Crews and Teresha Jones-Hamilton have spearheaded innovative practices that resulted in significant turnaround at Central High School and serves as a model for how schools can employ exceptional techniques to bolster a positive school culture and student achievement:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Alabama State Board of Education does hereby extend congratulations to Central High School for being selected as a recipient of this distinguished award from the International Center for Leadership in Education.

Done this 12th day of May 2022