## RESOLUTION HONORING ALABAMA EDUCATOR DR. BRYAN CUTTER, PRINCIPAL, DALRAIDA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, MONTGOMERY COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM, RECIPIENT OF THE 2022 MILKEN EDUCATOR AWARD

WHEREAS, the Alabama State Board of Education supports efforts to reward Alabama's outstanding educators for their contributions to the educational experiences of Alabama's students; and

**WHEREAS,** the Milken Family Foundation National Educator Awards were first presented in 1987 to acknowledge educators' crucial contributions to our national well-being and to provide public recognition and financial rewards to talented elementary and secondary educators; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, 40 recipients across the country will be awarded this prestigious honor; and

WHEREAS, Alabama's 2022 Milken Educator Award recipient is Dr. Bryan Cutter, Principal, Dalraida Elementary School, Montgomery County School System; Dr. Bryan Cutter is the 39th recipient and the only educator in Alabama to receive this prestigious award in honor of his efforts on behalf of Alabama's schoolchildren; and

**WHEREAS,** Milken Educator Dr. Bryan Cutter, a former student in the Montgomery Public School System, believes that building students' confidence can change their lives and engages parents as partners in their children's education; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bryan Cutter in his second year as principal of Dalraida Elementary School, has created a safe learning environment that braces technology and assisted in the implementation of a Science, Technology, English, and Mathematics (STEM) laboratory at the school, being one of the first for elementary students in the Montgomery Public School System where students learn through hands-on play and teachers implement best practices; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bryan Cutter previously served as an elementary and middle school assistant principal, summer school principal, career and technical education director, and music teacher, his passion for music was passed to his students as he led them to city and state recognition; facilitated after-school reading and mathematics programs and presented at state, national, and international conferences on topics such as student engagement, and academic rigor, etc.; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bryan Cutter earned a Bachelor's in music education in 2009 from Alabama State University; Education Specialist and Master's Degrees in music education in 2011 and 2013, respectively from Auburn University in Auburn; a Master's in instructional leadership in 2014 from Alabama State University, and a Ph.D. in educational leadership, policy, and law in 2019 from Alabama State University and wrote his dissertation on Assistant Principals' perceptions of school discipline policies and practices in middle schools in the Black Belt Region of Alabama; and

**WHEREAS,** Milken Educator Dr. Bryan Cutter is truly dedicated to his students and faculty and believes in the power of engaging students through resources, which inspire them to achieve at high levels:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** That the Alabama State Board of Education does hereby commend Dr. Bryan Cutter for his commitment to educational excellence and does hereby express its sincere congratulations.

Done this 8th day of December 2022