## RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF DIVYA NAYAK, BROCK'S GAP INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL, HOOVER CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM WINNER OF THE 2023 "BRINGING OUR MISSING CHILDREN HOME" POSTER CONTEST

WHEREAS, the Alabama State Board of Education and the State Superintendent of Education strongly support the national effort to commemorate the valiant and unselfish acts of the many organizations and individuals that work to keep Alabama students safe; and

WHEREAS, each year 1.3 million children are reported missing; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement, citizens, and even children have been instrumental in keeping children safe and returning them home to their families, community, and school; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama State Board of Education is committed to working with the United States Department of Justice through the Alabama Department of Public Safety and the Alabama Center for Missing and Exploited Children in sponsoring a poster contest entitled "Bringing Our Missing Children Home;" and

WHEREAS, the statewide "Bringing Our Missing Children Home" poster contest is an excellent opportunity for Alabama's public schools to emphasize and increase community involvement, to partner with law enforcement officials to raise awareness and increase support for assistance in finding missing children, and to educate parents and others about child safety:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** That the Alabama State Board of Education does hereby commend Divya Nayak, a fifth grader at Brock's Gap Intermediate School in the Hoover City School System, as the winner of the "Bringing Our Missing Children Home" poster contest and wishes her well in the national poster competition; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Alabama State Board of Education recognizes all of the Alabama educators who participated, Mrs. Cathy Meacham, Teacher; Mr. Scott Mitchell, Principal, Brock's Gap Intermediate School; and Dr. Dee Fowler, Superintendent, Hoover City School System.

Done this 11th day of May 2023