RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF PIEDMONT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PIEDMONT CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM NATIONAL ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT (ESEA) DISTINGUISHED SCHOOL

WHEREAS, the National ESEA Distinguished Schools Program is a project of the National Association of ESEA State Program Administrators and provides an opportunity for Title I schools from every state to be recognized for their positive educational advances and the outstanding academic achievement of their students; and

WHEREAS, schools nominated for the National ESEA Distinguished Schools Program demonstrate high academic achievement for two or more consecutive years, meet or exceed state standards for making adequate yearly progress (AYP) for two or more consecutive years, and demonstrate a poverty rate of sixty percent or higher for the nominated year; and

WHEREAS, through the state selection process, Piedmont Elementary School in the Piedmont City School System was selected for Category 1 of the Distinguished Schools Program that is awarded for exceptional student performance for two or more consecutive years; and

WHEREAS, Piedmont Elementary School received recognition as a 2022 National Blue Ribbon School; and

WHEREAS, Piedmont Elementary School Principal, Mrs. Brigett Stewart, and select school staff represented Alabama at the National ESEA Conference in Indianapolis, Indiana, in February 2023:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Alabama State Board of Education does hereby commend and congratulate Piedmont Elementary School upon the honor of being selected to receive recognition as a National ESEA Distinguished School.

Done this 11th day of April 2023