

**RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF
JEFFERSON COUNTY INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE SCHOOL
JEFFERSON COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM
2023 BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL**

WHEREAS, U.S. Department of Education Secretary Miguel Cardona named Jefferson County International Baccalaureate School in the Jefferson County School System as a 2023 National Blue Ribbon School; and

WHEREAS, since 1982, approximately 10,000 of America's schools have received this coveted award that honors those that reflect the goals of high standards and accountability; and

WHEREAS, the Blue Ribbon Schools Program honors public and private elementary, middle, and high schools that demonstrate overall academic excellence or show success in closing achievement gaps; and

WHEREAS, 353 public schools were selected nationwide, out of more than 133,000 public schools in the nation, for the 2023 Blue Ribbon Schools award, which is one of the most prestigious education awards in the country; and

WHEREAS, the Blue Ribbon Schools will be honored at a conference and awards ceremony November 16-17, 2023, in Washington, D.C.:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Alabama State Board of Education does hereby commend the faculty, staff, students, and parents of Jefferson County International Baccalaureate School in the Jefferson County School System, on achieving the status of a U.S. Department of Education Blue Ribbon School in 2023.

Done this 9th day of November 2023