RESOLUTION TO APPROVE EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS University of Mobile

WHEREAS, Alabama Administrative Code, Rule No. 290-3-3-.59(3), allows a program leading to an Alabama Professional Educator Certificate be approved through the Continuous Improvement in Educator Preparation (CIEP) program review process; and

WHEREAS, the University of Mobile submitted their Class A Early Childhood Education (P-3) and Class A Elementary Education (K-6) programs for review December 2020, and was granted conditional approval until June 30, 2028; and

WHEREAS, the University of Mobile submitted their Class B Biology (6-12), Class B Choral Music (P-12), Class B Early Collaborative Special Education (K-6), Class B Early Childhood Education (P-3), Class B Elementary Education (K-6), Class B English Language Arts (6-12), Class B Health Education (6-12) and Physical Education (P-12), Class B History (6-12), Class B Instrumental Music (P-12), Class B Mathematics (6-12), Class B Physical Education (P-12), Class B General Social Studies (6-12), Alternative Class A Early Childhood Education (P-3), and Alternative Class A Elementary Education (K-6) programs for review December 2020, and was granted approval through June 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the University of Mobile originally submitted for program review through the CAEP process; and

WHEREAS, the University of Mobile decided to submit programs through the CIEP review process during the August 2023 CIEP review session; and

WHEREAS, during the program review all programs submitted were deemed met pending a few clarifications or met with conditions; and

WHEREAS, a review team visited the University of Mobile for discovery and clarification on November 28, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the University of Mobile was able to address all concerns during the onsite review of programs and documented compliance with all standards for the programs submitted; and

WHEREAS, the University of Mobile has submitted their self-study report and evidence for their accreditation visit by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) between January 9, 2024, and January 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the University of Mobile submitted a progress report in September 2023 (i.e. revised course syllabi, matrix of program progression, evidence of faculty training in the Science of Reading, evidence of newly adopted textbooks, etc.) detailing their efforts toward meeting the *Alabama Literacy Act* and the recommendations provided by Barksdale Institution for Science of Literacy; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama literacy review team examined the evidence presented by the University of Mobile and determined that significant progress has been made toward implementing the *Alabama Literacy Act* requirements and recommendations submitted by Barksdale; and

WHEREAS, the University of Mobile is engaged in a process of continuous improvement:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Alabama State Board of Education hereby grants approval of the following programs until February 28, 2031:

Class B Biology (6-12)
Class B Collaborative Special Education Teacher (K-6)
Class B Collaborative Special Education Teacher (6-12)
Class B Early Childhood Education (P-3)
Class B Elementary Education (K-6)
Class B English Language Arts (6-12)
Class B General Social Studies (6-12)
Class B Health Education (6-12) and Physical Education (P-12)
Class B History (6-12)
Class B Mathematics (6-12)
Class B Physical Education (P-12)
Class Alternative A Early Childhood Education (P-3)
Class Alternative A Elementary Education (K-6)

Approval of the aforementioned programs until February 28, 2031, is contingent upon the University of Mobile receiving CAEP accreditation. If the CAEP accreditation review produces any result other than full approval, the programs are conditionally approved until February 28, 2026.

Done this 8th day of February 2024