

## **RESOLUTION HONORING GLENWOOD FOR 50 YEARS OF SERVICE**

**WHEREAS**, for 50 years Glenwood, Alabama's largest provider of services for children, adolescents, and adults with autism and other behavioral health needs, has served individuals with an array of comprehensive services; and

**WHEREAS**, 75 million people in the world have autism, a lifelong neurological condition that can cause difficulty with communication and social interaction; and

**WHEREAS**, since 1974, Glenwood has strived to evaluate and treat each person as an individual with services creatively tailored to each specific person and their circumstances; and

**WHEREAS**, students and adults with autism have the same hopes and desires of people of all abilities to pursue their dreams, work and earn a living, and be included in their community; and

**WHEREAS**, Glenwood has evolved over the last five decades to provide more programs to help children, adolescents, and adults with autism excel in the classroom; and

**WHEREAS**, Glenwood serves more than 8,000 Alabamians with autism each year on two campuses, facilitates trainings for more than 4,200 educators and families across the state, and employs close to 400 caring staff to support those in need:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Alabama State Board of Education does hereby commend Glenwood on its outstanding legacy of service to families in need and congratulate its staff, families served, and supporters on its 50th anniversary.

Done this 9th day of July 2024