

RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF MARCH 2-6, 2020, AS “SCHOOL BREAKFAST WEEK” IN ALABAMA SCHOOLS

WHEREAS, the Alabama State Board of Education and the Alabama State Department of Education has recognized for nearly 50 years that the School Breakfast Program has contributed to the health and educational development of Alabama’s children by making nutritious morning meals available in K-12 public schools; and

WHEREAS, every March the School Nutrition Association and the U.S. Department of Agriculture join together to celebrate the National School Breakfast Week; and

WHEREAS, the 2020 theme of National School Breakfast Week, “School Breakfast: Out of this World,” which is sure to captivate students and stakeholders with how your breakfast program is blasting off into new territory; and

WHEREAS, research has indicated that students who eat breakfast have better attention and memory; the quality of foods children eat impacts cognition; and poor nutrition is linked with absenteeism, health problems, hunger symptoms, and psychosocial problems; and

WHEREAS, scientifically-based food and nutrition information contributes powerful education benefits to all elementary and secondary students; and

WHEREAS, the School Breakfast Program served over 44 million breakfast meals for the school year 2018-2019 to Alabama students:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Alabama State Board of Education does hereby express its appreciation to school nutrition professionals who make the local School Breakfast Program work in 1,598 school sites statewide:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Alabama State Board of Education encourages Alabama schools to participate in promoting National School Breakfast Week:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Alabama State Board of Education does designate March 2-6, 2020, as “School Breakfast Week” in the public schools of Alabama.

Done this 13th day of February 2020