

**RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE 2022-2023 ALTERNATE STATE  
TEACHER OF THE YEAR AND SECONDARY TEACHER OF THE YEAR  
WILLIAM EDMONDS,  
BARTON ACADEMY FOR ADVANCED WORLD STUDIES,  
MOBILE COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM**

**WHEREAS**, Alternate State Teacher of the Year William Edmonds is a highly respected Mobile County School System educator, who is genuinely appreciated by parents and students; and

**WHEREAS**, his family instilled a lasting appreciation for education in him; and

**WHEREAS**, after graduating from Citronelle High School in 1992, Alternate State Teacher of the Year William Edmonds pursued a degree in Global Business at the University of Mobile; and

**WHEREAS**, while at the University of Mobile he studied in France and then Belgium and ended up adding a French major to his degree; and

**WHEREAS**, little did he know that this effort to meet his college foreign language requirement would one day lead him to a successful 24-year teaching career; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1998, while working for a top international bank, Alternate State Teacher of the Year William Edmonds decided to pursue a new career path; and

**WHEREAS**, he applied immediately to become a teacher in the Mobile County School System and has never looked back; and

**WHEREAS**, Alternate State Teacher of the Year William Edmonds began teaching French at Burns Middle School and then transferred to Davidson High School where he spent 20 years teaching at all levels; and

**WHEREAS**, he gained a personal appreciation for learning more about highly effective classroom management and instructional methods; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2009, Alternate State Teacher of the Year William Edmonds earned National Board Certification and in 2021 embraced a new opportunity to teach Grades 6-9 at the reopened Barton Academy for Advanced World Studies in the Mobile County School System; and

**WHEREAS**, his instructional methods promote academic success through a focus on building each student's base of overall learning experiences while providing them opportunities to explore new levels of knowledge.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Alabama State Board of Education does hereby congratulate William Edmonds for being named the 2022-2023 Alternate State Teacher of the Year and the Secondary Teacher of the Year and commends him for his dedication to Grades K-12 student learning and achievement.

Done this 12th day of May 2022