RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF MS. MICHELE HEWLETT ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL, CHICKASAW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHICKASAW CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM AS ALABAMA'S 2024 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS (NAESP) NATIONAL OUTSTANDING ELEMENTARY ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

WHEREAS, Ms. Michele Hewlett, Assistant Principal of Chickasaw Elementary School in the Chickasaw City School System, has been recognized as Alabama's NAESP National Outstanding Elementary Assistant Principal for her exemplary leadership, innovative programming, and unwavering dedication to student success over her five years of service as assistant principal; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Michele Hewlett has been instrumental in implementing initiatives that foster positive behavior and provide essential support to students with special needs, contributing to the overall improvement of the educational environment at Chickasaw Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, one of Ms. Hewlett's most notable achievements is the development and implementation of the Positive Office Referral System, which emphasizes recognizing and rewarding students who exemplify the school's core values of PRIDE—Preparedness, Respect, Integrity, Determination, and Excellence—leading to a significant reduction in out-of-school suspensions; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Michele Hewlett has made substantial enhancements to the school's special education practices and procedures, including the restructuring of the special education department to better meet individual student needs, and the addition of essential resources such as a behavior unit, multi-needs unit, sensory room, and ADA-compliant playground; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Michele Hewlett commitment to providing a supportive and inclusive educational environment has positively impacted not only Chickasaw Elementary School but also the broader Chickasaw community:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Alabama State Board of Education does hereby commend and congratulate Ms. Michele Hewlett upon the honor of being selected as Alabama's 2024 NAESP National Outstanding Elementary Assistant Principal.

Done this 10th day of October 2024