

State of Ohio Branches of the NAACP

A RESOLUTION

**SUPPORTING AND REQUESTING THE STATE OF OHIO
TO PROVIDE EQUAL STATE ACADEMIC EXPECTATION/GOALS FOR ALL
STUDENTS**

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- WHEREAS** all children are created equal and have unalienable rights to equal education (academic expectations/goals) in the State of Ohio; and
- WHEREAS**, the welfare of our children is the highest priority for the State of Ohio of Branches of the NAACP; and
- WHEREAS**, the children of the State of Ohio represent the future of the State and its growth, development and survival; and
- WHEREAS**, it is vital that the citizens of the State of Ohio recognize the 1954 U.S. Supreme Court decisions 347 U.S. 483 (1954) in Brown v. Board of Education; which states that where the State has undertaken to provide the opportunity of an education the State must do so on equal terms for all children of Ohio;
- WHEREAS**, the Ohio Department of Education and State Superintendent of Public Instruction must provide for equal educational rights and needs of all children educated in the State of Ohio, whether currently enrolled or growing for future education; and
- WHEREAS**, we, members of the State of Ohio Branches of the NAACP, value our children and their educational rights and needs and demand immediacy of the equalization of our children's educational rights and needs; and
- WHEREAS**, the Ohio Department of Education and State Superintendent of Public Instruction has inadequately provided for the provision of equal education for the children of the State of Ohio through their promulgation of a n inadequate plan for equal education which was inappropriately accepted by the US Department of Education; and
- WHEREAS**, the plan inappropriately accepts lower expectations/Goals (54.8) for African American children (vs 84.3 for Whites) of the State of Ohio Schools and those of other similarly situated minority systems across the State of Ohio for the foreseeable future and allows unequal education to the hallmark of the state's educational plan for years to come; and
- WHEREAS**, the plan inappropriately violates the intent and language of Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act which prevents the use of Federal Funds to discriminate on the basis of race, color, and national origin in programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE State of Ohio Branches of the
NAACP:**

SECTION 1

That the State of Ohio Branches of the NAACP; hereby supports Equal State Academic Expectations/Goals for all Students, and request the State of Ohio to provide EQUAL Academic Expectation/Goals for all students of the State of Ohio.

SECTION 2

That the State NAACP President is hereby instructed to forward a copy of this resolution to individuals as designated by State of Ohio of Branches of the NAACP;

PASSED BY THE STATE OF OHIO BRANCHES OF THE NAACP; THIS 11th DAY of
MARCH. 2023

State of Ohio Branches of the NAACP

APPROVED: THIS 11TH DAY OF MARCH 8, 2023

Thomas M. Roberts

PRESIDENT