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Resolution Regarding Proposed Partial Closing of Page Street

WHEREAS, the Troy, North Carolina Town Board approved a resolution aimed at seeking the ultimate closure of a portion of Page Street between Wood Street and North Main Street; and

WHEREAS, The Montgomery County Board of Education has two schools at present that will be directly affected by the closure at present, namely Page Street Elementary and Troy Elementary; and

WHEREAS, the Board has a new consolidated high school presently being erected that will place approximately 1000 to 1500 students on the other end of Page Street from the proposed closure; and

WHEREAS, one of the considerations of the high school site was the traffic pattern related to Page Street including a premise that the North Main Street end of said street would be open; and

WHEREAS, the Board considers the alternative routes from Ophir Avenue to Page Street Elementary and the new Montgomery Central High School to be unduly burdensome, but more importantly unsafe for transport to and from those schools; and

WHEREAS, the alternative route of most obvious choice would unduly increase the flow of traffic on Bruton Street past Troy Elementary to the two schools above named; and

WHEREAS, both Bruton Street and the other obvious alternate street, Broughton Street, have several "blind spots," go through residential areas with houses close to the street, and as to Bruton Street, has a narrow width and several dangerous curves to maneuver; and

WHEREAS, the most likely route for bus traffic going northwest from both Page Street and Montgomery Central would either be Bruton Street or a several mile alternative route of Glenn Road or Biscoe Road; and

WHEREAS, the Montgomery County Board of Education is mindful of the economic importance of Troy Lumber Company to the Town of Troy, it feels the safety aspect of an open Page Street to be of greater importance than the expansion of Troy Lumber Company unless the parties develop a safe and viable alternative plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, that the Montgomery County Board of Education goes on record to request the Town of Troy Board reconsider its vote seeking the ultimate closure of Page Street between Wood Street and North Main Street, unless and until there is a viable alternative route determined that will make travel to Troy Elementary School, Page Street Elementary School, and Montgomery Central High School from the northwest part of Troy and Montgomery County safe and not unduly burdensome for vehicles going to and from the named schools.

Adopted this 4th day of February, 2019

Steve DeBerry, Chair – Board of Education

Dale Ellis, Ed. D, Secretary