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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Alex Devarajan of Half Hollow Hills High School East upon the occasion of being named a semifinalist in the 2014 Intel Science Talent Search

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend and pay tribute to those who, by achieving outstanding success in their educational and scientific endeavors, have inspired and brought pride to our majestic Empire State; and

WHEREAS, It is also the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize the dedication and commitment of our young people who distinguish themselves through excellence in science competition; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Alex Devarajan of Half Hollow Hills High School East in Dix Hills, New York, upon the occasion of being named a semifinalist in the 2014 Intel Science Talent Search; and

WHEREAS, The Intel Science Talent Search is the oldest of its type in the nation, and is the country's most prestigious science scholarship competition; it was created to encourage high school seniors who demonstrate exceptional ability in science, math and engineering through individual research projects; and

WHEREAS, For more than 60 years, the Intel Science Talent Search has recognized and rewarded the country's top young science students; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, this competition has gained broad acclaim in the academic and scientific communities; educators, scientists, engineers and journalists throughout the United States have enthusiastically supported this annual event; and

WHEREAS, Colleges and universities regard the Intel Science Talent Search semifinalist award to be evidence of exceptional scientific prom-

ise; and

WHEREAS, The semifinalists of the 2014 Intel Science Talent Search were selected from among 1,794 entrants representing 489 high schools across 45 states, the District of Columbia, and seven overseas schools; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, from this group of 300 semifinalists, 40 finalists will be chosen to attend the Intel Science Talent Institute in Washington, DC; and

WHEREAS, It is appropriate to celebrate and applaud the individual accomplishments of remarkable students in this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is moved to honor Alex Devarajan, an able scholar, recognizing the value of his labors and the promise of his future; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Alex Devarajan of Half Hollow Hills High School East upon the occasion of being named a semifinalist in the 2014 Intel Science Talent Search; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Alex Devarajan.