



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Charles J. Fuschillo Jr.

## Senator Fuschillo Congratulates Calhoun Student on Being Named National Semi-Finalist in Intel-Science Talent Search

CHARLES J. FUSCHILLO JR. February 22, 2012



*Photo caption: Senator Fuschillo (second right) presents Calhoun student Asia Brown with a copy of a legislative resolution he sponsored in recognition of her being named a national semi-finalist in the prestigious Intel Science Talent Search. They are joined by (left to right) Science Department Chairperson Rochelle Battersby, teacher Jennifer Pefanis, and Principal David Seinfeld.*

Senator Charles J. Fuschillo, Jr. (R-Merrick) recently congratulated Asia Brown, a student at Calhoun High School in North Merrick, on being named a national semi-finalist in the 2012 Intel Science Talent Search.

“Asia has earned an incredible honor which is awarded to only a select few students from across the country each year. After spending countless hours with her teachers researching, studying, and preparing her project, it’s wonderful to see her hard work rewarded by being named one of the nation’s top young science students. I congratulate Asia on this remarkable achievement, which I’m certain will be the first of many more to come,” said Senator Fuschillo.

The Intel Science Talent Search is the nation’s most prestigious pre-college science competition. Participants come from all across the country, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands to compete in the program. Asia was one of only 300 semifinalists chosen from entries nationwide.

Senator Fuschillo also presented Asia with a copy of a legislative resolution he sponsored, which were passed by the State Senate, honoring her accomplishment. With passage of the resolution, Asia’s name and achievement will forever be part of the New York State Senate’s official record.

*Text of the Legislative Resolution*

Senate Resolution No. 03022

BY: Senator FUSCHILLO

CONGRATULATING Asia Brown, of Sanford H. Calhoun High School, upon the occasion of being named a Semifinalist in the 2012 Intel Science Talent Search

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to honor the youth of today, and leaders of tomorrow, whose character and achievements exemplify the ideals and values cherished by this great State and nation; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Asia Brown upon the occasion of being named a Semifinalist in the Intel Science Talent Search 2012, a program of Society for Science & the Public, an organization dedicated to public engagement in scientific research and education; and

WHEREAS, Asia Brown's noteworthy project is entitled "Analysis of Altered Gene Expression in Human Colon Cancer Cells Exposed to the Methylation Inhibitor 5-aza-2'deoxyctidine"; and

WHEREAS, As the nation's oldest and most prestigious pre-college science competition, the Intel Science Talent Search brings together the best and brightest young scientific minds in the United States to compete for \$1.25 million in awards; and

WHEREAS, In achieving this high academic honor, Asia Brown may take just pride in the inspiration and contribution to the spirit of excellence brought to Merrick, New York's Sanford H. Calhoun High School; and

WHEREAS, Asia Brown stands poised on the threshold of a broad and challenging world, a testament to the love and nurturing care of this outstanding student's family, teachers and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Asia Brown upon the occasion of being named a Semifinalist in the 2012 Intel Science Talent Search, and to wish this outstanding student continued success in all future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Asia Brown.