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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Sarah Moussavi of John F. Kennedy High School upon the occasion of being named a semifinalist in the 2016 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 longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Sarah Moussavi of John F. Kennedy High School in Bellmore, New York, upon the occasion of being named a semifinalist in the 2016 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 70 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 promise; and

WHEREAS, The 300 high school seniors named semifinalists of the 2016 Intel Science Talent Search were selected from among 1,750 students representing 38 high schools across 18 states; and WHEREAS, Sarah Moussavi, a senior at John F. Kennedy High School in Bellmore, New York, was recently named a semifinalist in the annual Intel Science Talent Search which awards scholarships to recognize the outstanding science research of high school seniors; and WHEREAS, Sarah Moussavi's 2016 Intel Science Talent Search project is entitled, "Metacognition and Confidence in a Perceptual Decision-Making Task"; she worked with a mentor from New York University Center for Neural Science; 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 Sarah Moussavi, an able scholar, recognizing the value of her labors and the promise of her future; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Sarah Moussavi of John F. Kennedy High School upon the occasion of being named a semifinalist in the 2016 Intel Science Talent Search; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Sarah Moussavi.