

BY: Senator PHILLIPS

COMMENDING Fatima Bhutta upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Jewish Community Relations Council-Long Island, at its Annual Holocaust Remembrance Day Commemoration on April 26, 2018

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those young people within the great Empire State who have made strong contributions to their communities and who serve as role models for their peers; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Fatima Bhutta upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Jewish Community Relations Council-Long Island, at its Annual Holocaust Remembrance Day Commemoration to be held on Thursday, April 26, 2018, at Hofstra University in Hempstead, New York; and

WHEREAS, Holocaust Remembrance Day, known in Hebrew as Yom HaShoah, is a day set aside for remembering the victims of the Holocaust and for reminding New Yorkers, all Americans, and people around the world of what can happen to civilized people when bigotry, hatred and indifference reign; and

WHEREAS, At this auspicious event, Fatima Bhutta will be recognized for her diligent work in creating a more civil society for the citizens of not only Nassau County, but the entire State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Fatima Bhutta is a young lady who has always used her intelligence and abilities to reach others and share her voice; she works to create a more civil society through her writing in the school newspaper, giving back with Key Club and mentoring students with the Big Brother Big Sister Club; and

WHEREAS, Most recently Fatima Bhutta has become quite vocal in the Teaching Acceptance With Kindness (TAWK) club; it is through these meetings and activities that she has not only shared her voice but begun to bridge the gap between students that ordinarily might not have otherwise been connected; and

WHEREAS, Fatima Bhutta uses the platforms of the organizations she is a part of and her personal style and writing to connect to the humanity in others; and

WHEREAS, Fatima Bhutta is a credit to her family, school, community, and her State and Nation, and it is certain that her future will be filled with accomplishments of equal importance; and

WHEREAS, With her sense of civic duty and her commitment to others,

Fatima Bhutta represents the best development of the potential which is inherent in our most precious resource, our youth; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Fatima Bhutta upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Jewish Community Relations Council-Long Island, at its Annual Holocaust Remembrance Day Commemoration on April 26, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Fatima Bhutta.