

Senate Resolution No. 1418

BY: Senator MARTINS

HONORING Kian Soleymani upon the occasion of being named a 2026 Regeneron Science Talent Search Scholar

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor exceptional students whose achievements reflect extraordinary dedication, intellect, and service to the advancement of science and education; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Kian Soleymani upon the occasion of being named a 2026 Regeneron Science Talent Search Scholar; and

WHEREAS, Kian Soleymani, a senior at John L. Miller-Great Neck North High School, has been named a 2026 Regeneron Science Talent Search Scholar, one of the most prestigious distinctions awarded to high school researchers in the United States; and

WHEREAS, The Regeneron Science Talent Search, established in 1942 and widely regarded as the nation's oldest and most esteemed science and mathematics competition for high school seniors, selects just 300 Scholars nationwide from an applicant pool of nearly 2,600 students; and

WHEREAS, Kian Soleymani earned this distinguished recognition for his innovative research project entitled "AI-Powered Conversational Tool for Early Stage Cognitive Decline," which demonstrates exceptional scientific rigor, creativity, and a commitment to improving health outcomes through emerging technologies; and

WHEREAS, As a Regeneron Science Talent Search Scholar, Kian Soleymani will receive a \$2,000 award, with a matching grant awarded to his school, further supporting excellence in science education and research; and

WHEREAS, Kian Soleymani's achievement reflects great credit upon himself, his family, his mentors, and the Great Neck Public Schools, including his science research advisors and faculty, whose guidance and dedication help cultivate the next generation of scientific leaders; and

WHEREAS, Through his scholarship, perseverance, and passion for discovery, Kian Soleymani exemplifies the highest ideals of academic excellence and civic responsibility, serving as an inspiration to students across New York State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor and commend Kian Soleymani upon the occasion of being named a 2026 Regeneron Science Talent Search Scholar; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be

transmitted to Kian Soleymani.