

**BY:** Senator BOYLE

**COMMENDING** Aditya Sehgal upon the occasion of his designation as a Distinguished Finalist in the 24th Annual Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program

**WHEREAS,** It is the sense of this Legislative Body to act, in accord with its long-standing traditions, honoring 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 commend Aditya Sehgal upon the occasion of his designation as a Distinguished Finalist in the 24th Annual Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program; and

**WHEREAS,** Aditya Sehgal has distinguished himself as a young man of superlative ability, establishing a high standard of community service, purposefulness of life, and sense of responsibility rarely achieved in youthful years; and

**WHEREAS,** The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards, created in 1995 by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP), are designed to emphasize the importance our Nation places on service to others, and to encourage all young Americans to contribute to their communities; and

**WHEREAS,** Aditya Sehgal, an esteemed resident of Deer Park, New York, and a junior at Half Hollow Hills High School West, has achieved national recognition for exemplary volunteer service by receiving a 2019 Prudential Spirit of Community Award; and

**WHEREAS,** This prestigious award honors young volunteers across America who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to their communities; and

**WHEREAS,** Aditya Sehgal earned this award for his advocacy for equal opportunities for education and organizes school supply donations as the founder of the non-profit organization Genius In Need; he oversees all aspects of the programs' operations ranging from setting up drop boxes to coordinating with distributors and county officials; and

**WHEREAS,** Under the luminous leadership of Aditya Sehgal, Genius In Need has raised thousands of dollars for school supplies which were donated to low-income schools in the Long Island area; and

**WHEREAS,** The success of the State of New York, the strength of our communities, and the vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of young people like Aditya Sehgal, who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; and

**WHEREAS,** This Legislative Body is moved to honor Aditya Sehgal, commending him for his outstanding record of volunteer service, peer leadership, and community service, 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, with praise and pride, to commend Aditya Sehgal for his achievements and to extend to him the best wishes of this Legislative Body for a future of purposeful success and well-being; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Aditya Sehgal.