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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 777

Offered February 1, 2019

*Commending Rizwan Jaka.*

Patrons—Murphy; Senators: Boysko and Favola

WHEREAS, Rizwan Jaka, chair of the Board of Trustees of the All Dulles Area Muslim Society Center, the second largest mosque in the United States, has promoted strong interfaith ties and positive civic engagement throughout Northern Virginia; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin, Rizwan Jaka works in the technology industry and is an active member of the community; he has held leadership roles within the All Dulles Area Muslim Society (ADAMS) Center for more than 16 years; and

WHEREAS, Rizwan Jaka has helped the ADAMS Center grow and provide opportunities for worship, advocacy, and education to thousands of people of all faiths in Northern Virginia, facilitating trust, mutual respect, and cooperation to advance the common good; and

WHEREAS, as a former youth athletics coach and the head of the ADAMS Center's Boy Scouts of America program, Rizwan Jaka places a special emphasis on developing youth leaders who have the tools to become productive citizens of the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, through his work with ADAMS Center, Rizwan Jaka works to correct misconceptions about American Muslims and supports the Muslim community's unique role in combating violent extremism; and

WHEREAS, Rizwan Jaka is a board member and former chair of the InterFaith Conference of Metropolitan Washington and a former board member of the Islamic Society of North America; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Rizwan Jaka for his dedication to interfaith cooperation and positive community leadership; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Rizwan Jaka as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his work to strengthen the Northern Virginia community as a whole.

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