2020 SPECIAL SESSION I

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 575

Commending the Civic Engagement Team of the All Dulles Area Muslim Society Center.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, August 28, 2020

WHEREAS, the Civic Engagement Team of the All Dulles Area Muslim Society Center, a leadership group that supports the activities of one of the largest Muslim communities in the Washington, D.C., area, has worked to extend its organization's goodwill throughout Northern Virginia for several years; and

WHEREAS, over the past three decades, the All Dulles Area Muslim Society (ADAMS) Center has grown to serve Muslim communities throughout the greater Northern Virginia area, including Ashburn, Centreville, Chantilly, Gainesville, Great Falls, Herndon, Leesburg, McLean, Reston, and Sterling; and

WHEREAS, the ADAMS Center's Civic Engagement (ACE) Team develops programs to nurture fellowship with various service organizations and faith communities, engage with the community at large, and support the activities of elected officials and government staff on the federal, state, and local levels; and

WHEREAS, every year, the ACE Team coordinates events, such as the ADAMS Annual Civic Picnic, Interfaith Iftar, and 9/11 Unity Walk, that encourage interfaith fellowship and positive, productive partnerships throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, the ACE Team is currently chaired by Syed Ashraf, Bob Marro, and Mohammed Mohib Ullah, who have been steadfast proponents of issue-based advocacy and other important civic causes, such as voter participation, throughout their tenures; and

WHEREAS, through its various programs and activities, the ACE Team brings together diverse groups for the benefit of all in the community, helping make Northern Virginia a wonderful place to live, work, and raise a family; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Civic Engagement Team of the All Dulles Area Muslim Society Center hereby be commended for fostering a more unified and convivial Northern Virginia; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare copies of this resolution for presentation to Syed Ashraf, Bob Marro, and Mohammed Mohib Ullah, chairs of the Civic Engagement Team of the All Dulles Area Muslim Society Center, as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration and respect for their efforts to bridge communities throughout the Commonwealth.