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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 107

Offered March 7, 2022

Commending Medha Pappula.

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WHEREAS, Medha Pappula, an eighth grade student at Brambleton Middle School in Loudoun County, received the Together Against Bullying Award from PACER's National Bullying Prevention Center in 2021 for her efforts to mitigate bullying through software development and animation projects; and

WHEREAS, after Medha Pappula discovered a fellow student was experiencing cyberbullying, she employed her coding skills to develop a software program that would combat bullying and other offensive behavior online; and

WHEREAS, Medha Pappula was honored by the National Bully Prevention Center for this program as well as for a three-minute animated video she made for Unity Day, a holiday to raise awareness of bullying, which has been viewed thousands of times since it was posted to YouTube in October 2020;

WHEREAS, Medha Pappula runs an after-school coding club at Brambleton Middle School with the ambition to close the gender gap in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics; and

WHEREAS, Medha Pappula's achievements are the result of her exceptional talents for coding and video animation, deep compassion and concern for others, and tireless dedication to her cause; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Medha Pappula hereby be commended for receiving a 2021 Together Against Bullying Award from PACER's National Bullying Prevention Center; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Medha Pappula as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for her contributions to the Commonwealth.