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## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 76** Offered March 2, 2022

3 Commending Rohini Das. 4

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5 6 WHEREAS, Rohini Das, a senior at the Academies of Loudoun in Leesburg, has inspired girls and 7 boys to pursue their interests in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics through 8 various endeavors; and

9 WHEREAS, dedicated to empowering young women to explore science, technology, engineering, and 10 mathematics (STEM) careers, Rohini Das created a video series and online platform, called "STEMinist Stories," to share success stories of women working in these fields; and 11

WHEREAS, in the early stage of the COVID-19 pandemic, Rohini Das wrote a gender neutral book 12 13 on the programming language Java to help to ensure that other students interested in learning the language would not get discouraged by an implicit gender bias towards males in existing educational 14 15 materials; and

16 WHEREAS, Rohini Das sets an example of community leadership through her devotion to the 17 success of her peers and demonstrates a commitment to advancing gender inclusion in STEM fields by generously creating multimodal educational resources for current and future students; now, therefore, be 18 19 it

20 RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Rohini Das hereby be commended for her efforts to 21 make science, technology, engineering, and mathematics careers more accessible to countless young girls 22 and boys; and, be it

23 RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution 24 for presentation to Rohini Das as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for her contributions to the Commonwealth. 25