No. R-65. House concurrent resolution congratulating Fatima Khan on earning a finalist ranking in U.S. Senator Bernie Sanders's 2021 State of the Union Essay Contest.

(H.C.R.40)

Offered by: Representatives Dolan of Essex, Black of Essex, Houghton of Essex, Redmond of Essex, and Vyhovsky of Essex

Whereas, Fatima Khan, an Essex High School junior, is a talented writer and orator who won the Rotary Speech Contest and is the speech captain of the Essex High Speech and Debate Club, and

Whereas, she most recently demonstrated her skillful command of the English language and thoughtful perspective on civic life as one of 11 honorees among 319 entrants in the State of the Union Essay Contest, and

Whereas, her carefully crafted essay examined the Black Lives Matter Movement, police brutality, and excessive criminalization, and it will be published in the Congressional Record, now therefore be it

## Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Fatima Khan on earning a finalist ranking in U.S. Senator Bernie Sanders's 2021 State of the Union Essay Contest, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Fatima Khan.