

State of New Jersey



THE SENATE AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY STATE HOUSE, TRENTON, N.J.

JOINT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

By Senator SCUTARI, Assemblywoman CARTER and Assemblyman KENNEDY

WHEREAS, The Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey are pleased to honor and salute MTO Shahmaghsoudi School of Islamic Sufism, highly esteemed in the Garden State, in recognition of its extraordinary efforts in behalf of medical professionals during the COVID-19 pandemic; and,

WHEREAS, On September 4, 2020, as they celebrated the fiftieth year of leadership under the Sufi Master, the leaders and staff of MTO Shahmaghsoudi School of Islamic Sufism made a generous donation of personal protection equipment to the Trinitas Regional Medical Center in Elizabeth, Valley Health System in Ridgewood, and Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside, thus allowing the dedicated healthcare workers at these institutions to deliver compassionate and outstanding care to patients during this most challenging chapter in our nation's history; and,

WHEREAS, In total, the volunteers of MTO Shahmaghsoudi School of Islamic Sufism have produced and donated 63,530 face shields, face masks, and body protective medical gowns to hospitals, held a major food drive, and provided 12,153 hygiene kits to those in need in fulfillment of the School's mission to unite people through faith and service to those in need; and,

WHEREAS, These exceptional individuals have also provided essential support to YMCA low-income housing in Elizabeth, local women's shelters, and food banks, actions that stand as a testament to the School's revered status as a true community partner that is devoted to transforming lives across New Jersey; and,

WHEREAS, The strength and prosperity of the State of New Jersey, the vitality of our communities, and the effectiveness of our American society depend, in great measure, upon superb organizations, exemplified by MTO Shahmaghsoudi School of Islamic Sufism, that provide a ray of hope to all New Jerseyans during these unprecedented times; and,

WHEREAS, It is altogether proper and fitting for this Legislature to pause in its deliberations to recognize MTO Shahmaghsoudi School of Islamic Sufism and affirm its importance to the citizens of this State; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

That this Legislature hereby lauds MTO Shahmaghsoudi School of Islamic Sufism, pays tribute to its meritorious record of service and commitment, and extends sincere best wishes for its continued success and vigor in the years to come; and,

Be It Further Resolved, That a duly authenticated copy of this resolution, signed by the Senate President and the Assembly Speaker and attested by the Senate Secretary and the Assembly Clerk, be transmitted to MTO Shahmaghsoudi School of Islamic Sufism.

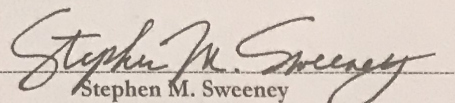
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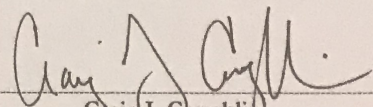


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