

**RESOLUTION  
HONORING  
ASHA-JYOTHI**

**WHEREAS**, Asha-Jyothi, a volunteer-based global nonprofit organization based in Chantilly is dedicated to supporting the community through health care and education initiatives and has given over \$250,000 to Fairfax County Public Schools; and

**WHEREAS**, distributed as part of Asha-Jyothi's Educate-Innovate Initiative, the grants provide funding for the schools to enhance their technology education, build Innovation Labs and Maker Spaces, inspiring our students to be the trailblazers of tomorrow; Through the grants and the opportunities they provide, they hope that all children will be inspired to design, experiment, build and invent, while believing that anything is possible; and

**WHEREAS**, through its annual 5K run/walk, Asha-Jyothi encourages community interest in and support of technology education for area youth, matching and distributing the registration fees to the schools with representatives participating in the event, an initiative that resulted in thousands of dollars in donations to our Fairfax County Public Schools; and

**WHEREAS** The Educate-Innovate program has given \$106,000 to build the Innovation Lab at Chantilly High School in 2018. The lab offers students access to state-of-the-art 3D printing, audiovisual technology and recording, take-apart technology, writable walls, robotics and more; and

**WHEREAS**, Rocky Run Middle School was a grand recipient of \$60,000 grant in 2019 to build a maker space allowing middle school kids to create, learn and play together in the new inspiration studio. Asha-Jyothi has also donated a total of \$18,000 to Fairfax County public schools in 2021 including two individual technology grants to Katherine Johnson Middle School and Little Run Elementary School; and

**WHEREAS**, through its grants to schools in the Commonwealth and throughout the country, Asha-Jyothi demonstrates a remarkable commitment to fostering the next generation of technology inventors and innovators;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Fairfax County School Board extends its deepest gratitude and appreciation to Asha-Jyothi for *their* valuable contributions to enhance the education of students in Fairfax County Public Schools to help them pursue 21<sup>st</sup>-century career opportunities.