

17-Mar-2022

To Whom It May Concern:

Student: YUSSIF ZAKARIA

The above student has completed all requirements and has earned the high school equivalency credential from the Office of the State Superintendent of Education in Washington, D.C. This individual is considered a high school, grade 12, level graduate per the attached cover letter and the attached secure electronic document.

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If you have any questions, please visit [https://ged.com/contact\\_us/](https://ged.com/contact_us/)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Vicki Green", written over a horizontal line.

Vicki Green

President and Chief Executive Officer, GED Testing Service®

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# Office of the State Superintendent of Education

This Certifies That

**YUSSIF ZAKARIA**

having satisfactorily completed the Tests of General Educational Development  
with scores comparable to those of high school graduates,  
is hereby awarded this

**High School Equivalency Credential**

and is entitled to all the Rights and Privileges appertaining thereto.

In witness whereof our names are hereto affixed, this the

17<sup>th</sup> Day of March, 2022



Christina Grant, Ed.D.  
State Superintendent of Education



Antoinette S. Mitchell, Ph.D.  
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Postsecondary and Career Education



Philip L. PremDas  
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Office of the State  
Superintendent of Education

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**MURIEL BOWSER, MAYOR**

