

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Justin Pugal upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on April 14, 2013

WHEREAS, Justin Pugal, through his diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious rank, Eagle Scout; the Eagle Court of Honor ceremony will be held on Sunday, April 14, 2013, at Manorville Fire Department, Manorville, New York; and

WHEREAS, Justin Pugal is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 221, Manorville, New York; and

WHEREAS, Currently, Justin Pugal is a sophomore at Eastport South Manor High School; maintaining honor roll grades, he also has been playing varsity football and lacrosse since the 9th grade; he belongs to the Natural Helpers Club and volunteered helping the Red Cross set up the evacuation center during Hurricane Sandy; and

WHEREAS, America has achieved her greatest heights of glory through the dedication, determination and tireless efforts of the outstanding citizens of this Nation; and

WHEREAS, It is only with the continued diligence and devotion of our youth, tomorrow's leaders, that America will maintain her glory; and

WHEREAS, The Boy Scouts of America and its members are dedicated to the development of character and leadership in the youth of this Nation; and

WHEREAS, The highest achievement of leadership in Scouting, earned by only five percent of all Boy Scouts, is the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout; and

WHEREAS, This outstanding young man has been involved in Scouting for many years, has lived up to Scouting's ideals and has attained all of the necessary achievements, including completion of a community service project, which was successfully planned, developed and executed; and

WHEREAS, For his project, Justin Pugal, along with his brother, Cody who also earned the rank of Eagle Scout, built matching gardens at the entrances of the Saint Peter and Paul Church in Manorville, New York; the two scouts were responsible for designing and raising the funds necessary to provide the materials for their projects; and

WHEREAS, Justin Pugal's perseverance in rising through the ranks to Eagle Scout is a strong indication of his ability to master difficult tasks; his accomplishment will enable him to emerge as a leader, fully equipped to meet the challenges of today's complex society; and

WHEREAS, This new Eagle Scout is a credit to his family, his school, his community, his State and his Nation, and no doubt his future will be filled with accomplishments of equal importance; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations, in recognition of the significance of this meritorious achievement, to congratulate and honor Justin Pugal on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Justin Pugal.