

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Nicholas John Gabriel upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on June 15, 2013

WHEREAS, Nicholas John Gabriel, 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 Saturday, June 15, 2013, at the First Presbyterian Church, Valatie, New York; and

WHEREAS, Nicholas John Gabriel is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 114 in Valatie; a member since 2005, he has held various leadership positions in the Troop, including Patrol Leader, Senior Patrol Leader and Junior Assistant Scoutmaster; 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, Nicholas John Gabriel enlisted the assistance of other scouts, leaders and volunteers to build and install 3 bridges, and to clear approximately 1,000 feet of trail, around Sutherland Pond at the Ooms Conservation Area in Chatham, New York; and

WHEREAS, Nicholas John Gabriel'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, Nicholas John Gabriel is a student in the culinary program at Schenectady County Community College; he competed in the 2012 National ProStart Invitational where his culinary team excelled; 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 Nicholas John Gabriel on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Nicholas John Gabriel.