LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Andrew Grant upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors

WHEREAS, Andrew Grant, through his diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious rank, Eagle Scout; he was honored at an Eagle Court of Honor ceremony on April 25, 2013 at the Akron, New York First United Methodist Church which sponsors the troop; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Grant, the son of Jim and Becky Grant, is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 559; 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 Eagle project, Andrew Grant organized an effort to paint playground equipment in Russell Park in the Village of Akron as well as to build picnic tables and plant some shrubs, all of which enhanced the appearance and usability of the park; and

WHEREAS, At the completion of his project, in recognition and appreciation of his efforts, Andrew Grant was recognized by the Akron Village Board for his community service; scoutmasters Joel Gregorio and Gary Mulrain, as well as Andrew's parents, Jim and Becky Grant, participated in the special ceremony; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Grant'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 Andrew Grant on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Andrew Grant.