

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 100th Anniversary of Rockville Centre Boy Scout Troop 40 of the Theodore Roosevelt Council on June 7, 2014

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those organizations that are devoted to instilling in youth the values of community service and civic responsibility; and

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

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Rockville Centre Boy Scout Troop 40 of the Theodore Roosevelt Council, to be celebrated at a Centennial Dinner on Saturday, June 7, 2014, at St. Agnes Parish Center, Rockville Centre, New York; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception in 1910, the Boy Scouts of America has provided boys and young men the opportunities to learn skills and to take part in adventures; a Scout learns to camp and hike, and how to live in the outdoors; a Scout also learns about the world around us and studies citizenship in the community, in the Nation, and in the world; and

WHEREAS, In addition, scouting gives a boy the experiences and responsibilities to help him mature as a strong and confident adult; scouting is a doorway to lifelong friendships; and

WHEREAS, The 100-year history of Troop 40 catalogues and records an unrelenting commitment to the ideals of honor and duty; and

WHEREAS, Over the past Century, Rockville Centre Boy Scout Troop 40 has developed a proud history, and has maintained the traditional values of Scouting; the troop has been extremely active in the community by providing many Eagle and community service projects; and

WHEREAS, Only four percent of Boy Scouts nationwide achieve the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout; Boy Scout Troop 40 is the home of the first Eagle Scout in the United States, and is one of the oldest and most respected Scout Troops in the Nation; and

WHEREAS, Troop 40 has been and continues to be an asset to the community; in addition to the service projects, the troop has developed many young boys into responsible adults through the teaching of Scouting ideals and training; and

WHEREAS, Since 1914, the young men of Boy Scout Troop 40 have been helping the Rockville Centre community through many generations, through good times and tough times, through war times and peace times; and

WHEREAS, Similarly, the Rockville Centre community has helped the boys of Troop 40 grow into young citizens, understanding what it means to grow, to learn, to work as a team, to lead and to give back; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is moved to add its commendation and congratulations on this notable occasion, recognizing the proud history, exemplary efforts and promising future of Troop 40 and its dedicated leadership who have given so selflessly, with meritorious achievement, in contributing to the education and development of the youth of their community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Rockville Centre Boy Scout Troop 40 of the Theodore Roosevelt Council on June 7, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Boy Scout Troop 40, Rockville Centre, New York.