

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Tyler Benjamin Searles upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on November 10, 2013

WHEREAS, Tyler Benjamin Searles, 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, November 10, 2013, at Congregational Christian Church, in Ravena, New York; and

WHEREAS, Tyler Benjamin Searles, son of Brian and Alicia Searles, is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 1067; and

WHEREAS, The younger brother of Emilie Rose Searles, Tyler Benjamin Searles is a 2013 graduate of Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District; he has enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and will begin basic training mid-November at Parris Island, South Carolina; 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, Tyler Benjamin Searles planned, oversaw and completed the cleaning of the basement of the Unitas Memorial VFW Post 9594, Ravena, New York; this space was full of medical equipment that was used for the Post's Medical Equipment Loan Program; through word of mouth, the Knights of Columbus Mother McAuley Council 3424, Ravena, New York, volunteered to continue the program; the usable equipment was transferred to the Knights of Columbus and the rest was disassembled; the metals were recycled and the money from the recycling was used to offset the cost of a dumpster to remove the remaining trash; with this space empty and cleaned, the VFW now has more usable space; and

WHEREAS, Tyler Benjamin Searles' 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 Tyler Benjamin Searles on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Tyler Benjamin Searles.