

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Sean Alexander Schmitz upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors

WHEREAS, Sean Alexander Schmitz, through his diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious rank, Eagle Scout; he will be honored at an Eagle Court of Honor ceremony to be held on Saturday, June 1, 2013 at St. Augustine's School in Ossining, New York; and

WHEREAS, Sean Alexander Schmitz is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 49 in Ossining and has served the Troop in many capacities; 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, Sean Alexander Schmitz chose a project which benefited both the Town of Cortlandt and the Hendrick Hudson High School; as a member of the school's tennis team, he noticed the concrete tennis storage shed at the school was in complete disrepair, and was quite an eyesore; and

WHEREAS, Sean Alexander Schmitz refurbished the shed, re-shingling the roof, replacing many rotten wooden boards, replacing vents on both sides of the shed, re-grading the land around the shed to prevent flooding, replacing the rusted metal door, and painting the entire outside and inside of the shed; and

WHEREAS, With the Hendrick Hudson Sailor's Logo painted on the side, the newly refurbished shed could once again be used by the High School's boys and girls tennis teams for storage of materials; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the duration of the project and since its completion, community members who often play tennis on the courts have commented on how much better the courts look with the shed refurbished; and

WHEREAS, Sean Alexander Schmitz'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 Sean Alexander Schmitz on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Sean Alexander Schmitz.